

Monash Student Association (Clayton) Incorporated

Clubs & Societies Council

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

Notice is given that at the Annual General Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 7th September 2022 it is intended that the following amendments be proposed:

<u>Proposed Change</u>	<u>Explanation</u>
Insert permanent clauses: 1.1.1. (iv) “ballot paper” means a paper or electronic voting method to count votes; (and adjust the numbering in this section following this insertion)	This change is to reflect the ability to hold C&S Council General Meetings in an electronic format. All other reference to “ballot paper” is to be read as including both physical and electronic ballots.
Duties of the Vice President <u>Delete</u> 2.4.5.(v) assist and liaise with students applying to start new clubs, in conjunction with C&S staff members; <u>Insert</u> 2.4.5.(vii) assist and liaise with newly affiliated clubs to provide support and guidance; (and adjust the numbering in this section following this deletion and insertion)	This duty of the C&S Vice President conflicted with S.2.1.2 of the C&S Affiliation Regulations. This change will resolve this conflict yet still allow the Vice President to work in the New Clubs portfolio. The focus is now on the post-affiliation period of a New Club.
Returning Officer <u>Amend</u> 5.2.6.(vi) initial or verify each ballot paper and keep records of how many ballot papers are issued, and to whom;	This change recognises the inability of the Returning Officer to initial electronic ballots.
Nominations <u>Amend</u> 5.4.2.(ii) replace “s/he is” with “ they are ”	The replacement of gendered language to align with terminology presently used.
Ballots <u>Amend</u> 5.5.5 replace “on’ with “to”	Incorrect preposition used.

<p>Club Constitutions <u>Insert</u> 6.2.3.(ii) For the purposes of §6.2.2(xliii), members are not permitted to vote by proxy at a general meeting held entirely by videoconference or teleconference. (and adjust the numbering in this section following this insertion)</p>	<p>With the expiration of the Temporary Provisions at the end of July, this subsection has been inserted. Following current practice, Clubs are not permitted to allow voting by proxy at online general meetings. The reasoning behind this is due to the increased accessibility of General Meetings held online, alongside the inability of most digital voting methods to accommodate proxy voting. This section was endorsed by legal counsel when the Temporary Provisions were first implemented.</p>
<p><u>Insert (subject to C&S Executive approval)</u> 6.2.7(iii) extend eligibility to hold, or be elected to, any position on the club committee to persons who are currently enrolled in a course at Clayton campus, but may be offshore for an exchange program, for a period not exceeding 2 months of a 12 month term of office.</p>	<p>This change is to allow students who are currently enrolled and undertaking an exchange program to run for club committee positions, on the proviso that prior approval has been sought from the C&S Executive.</p>
<p>Temporary Provisions for 2021 <u>Delete</u> Delete entire Part 8 section as these temporary provisions have expired.</p>	<p>Temporary provisions have expired. Specific sections that have become common practice have been included in aforementioned proposed changes.</p>