Adoption of updated rules of Australian Fabians Victorian Branch.

Resolution to Victorian Branch AGM 2022

This AGM of Australian Fabians, Victorian Branch, resolves to adopt the attached updated version of our Victorian Branch rules, to take effect immediately following this AGM.

Moved: Jeff McCracken-Hewson (Chair)

Seconded: Julia Thornton (Secretary)

On behalf of the Victorian Executive.

Explanation of the Rule Changes

Updated rules

The proposed updated rules are attached, together with a document showing the changes.

Proposed Changes.

The purpose of the proposed changes, with the corresponding clauses in the rules, is to:

- 1. Clarify some of the definitions and wording. [2.0 and elsewhere]
- 2. Amend the timing of the AGM to align it with the National AGM. [6.1]
- 3. Remove confusion about whether National Board delegate(s) and Events Manager are separate positions or are roles held by Exec members. The latter is our practice and it is proposed to amend the rules to make that clear. [6.3, 12.2.1, 12.6]
- 4. Remove the reference to the Events Manager from the Rules altogether, freeing up the Executive to allocate its members to whatever roles it needs, such as Events Manager, Publications Lead, Publicity Lead and so on, as is our current practice. [12.2.1]
- 5. Increase the number of Ordinary Executive Members to seven, so that the total number of Executive Members remains at eleven, after the above changes. This is a good number for avoiding tied votes. [12.2.3]
- 6. Create more flexibility around the representation of Local Societies on the Executive. [12.2.2]

There is no change to the provisions ensuring that these rules are consistent with the constitution of Australian Fabians (Rule 3.1) and subject to it (Rule 16).

Definitive version

If the new rules are adopted, we will then have a definitive version of our rules.

Currently, there are two slightly different versions of our rules in existence and we do not have an authoritative statement of which is current and when and how it was agreed. We have used what we believe is the most recent version as the base for these changes.