

POWERtalk Australia Incorporated
(Incorporated in New South Wales) ARBN 055 071 344

STANDING RULES

1. Bank Accounts.

- a) i A cheque account shall be operated with a financial institution in the name of POWERtalk Australia Incorporated.
- ii Signatories shall be any two of president, president-elect, secretary and treasurer.
- b) i A cheque account shall be operated with a financial institution in the name of POWERtalk Australia Conference.
- ii Signatories for the Conference Account shall be any two of president, conference coordinator and conference treasurer.

2. Investment

An interest-bearing building society or bank account may be operated at the discretion of the Board with the same withdrawal authority to operate as for the cheque account.

3. Dues

- a) The annual per capita dues of the Association shall be \$45.00, payable by the club on or before 1st August and delinquent 14th August.
- b) On joining the association, members shall pay dues calculated on a pro rata basis in relation to the month joined.
- c) A person may belong to more than one club at any one time provided the member pays all dues and fees as required at the primary club. Dues and fees shall not be payable to the Association for subsequent memberships provided the primary club is within the Association.

4. Funds from Clubs and Councils

- a) The Association shall receive any funds remaining in the treasury of a club which forfeits its charter and use in pursuance of the objects of the Association.
- b) The Association shall be the final approval authority for the transferral or distribution of funds remaining in the treasury of a council or councils that have consolidated or dissolved.

5. Budget

- a) The annual budget for the Association shall be approved by the Board.
- b) No officer or chairman may exceed the budget allocation without prior approval of the Board.
- c) The budget shall be monitored by the treasurer on a monthly basis and reviewed at least quarterly by the Board.

6. Conference

- a) The budget for the conference shall be approved by the Board.
- b) The Association shall pay the full conference registration fee for the elected Association officers.
- c) The Association shall pay the full conference registration fee for the conference coordinator and the program and education chairman.
- d) No person may attend any session of the conference, including the AGM, without having paid a registration fee.

- 7. Insurance**
The Association shall take out public liability insurance, plus member to member cover.
- 8. Audit**
The Board may appoint an independent qualified auditor or an audit committee to audit the finances of the Association.
- 9. Solicitor**
The Board may appoint an independent solicitor as required.
- 10. Trophies**
The trophies to be presented at the conference may include, but not be limited to:
 - a) The Alex Applebaum Club Merit Award;
 - b) The Rose Bowl Award;
 - c) The Speech Contest trophy; and
 - d) The Writing Contest awards; and
 - e) The administration, insurance, printing and engraving of all trophies and certificates shall be the responsibility of the Board and paid from Association funds.
- 11. Website**
The Board may contract a website professional to develop and maintain the region website in conjunction with the webmaster and the president.
- 12. Amendments to Standing Rules**
 - a) These Standing Rules may be amended by a majority vote at any general meeting if previous notice has been given, or by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote when previous notice has not been given;
 - b) Amendments to these Standing Rules may be submitted by member clubs, Councils, Association Committees and the Board; and
 - c) In the event that a Standing Rule is inserted or deleted and renumbering and/or re-lettering is necessary, such renumbering and/or re-lettering shall occur automatically.

Effective 1 August 2018