

Northern Auckland Free Kindergarten Association Incorporated

STANDING ORDERS FOR THE CONDUCT OF GENERAL MEETINGS

- 1. Every person when speaking shall stand and address the Chairperson.
- 2. Times of session shall be those approved at the commencement of the Annual General Meeting.
- 3. Voting strength will be established at the commencement of the Annual General Meeting and confirmed at the beginning of each session. When a vote is taken, a count of abstentions will be recorded. Any full voting member leaving the meeting at any time must inform the Chairperson immediately prior to leaving and on their return.
- **4.** Speaking time shall be those approved at the commencement of the Annual General Meeting. The Chairperson will allow extension of time only in exceptional circumstances.
- 5. The order of business shall be that set down on the agenda unless decided otherwise by either the Chairperson or members by a simple majority decision.
- **6.** Speaking rights will be accorded members, members of the Board, Life members and any other person who from time to time may be recognised by the Chairperson.
- 7. No person entitled to speak may speak to the same motion twice. A person entitled to speak who has spoken may speak again when an amendment is proposed to a motion. A right of reply shall be allowed only to the mover of the main or substantive motion and must be claimed before any amendment is put.
- **8.** Amendments must be relevant to the subject matter of the original motion and if of more than three words be placed in writing before the Chairperson prior to being moved.
- **9.** Only one amendment shall be proposed at any time to any motion or question.
- **10.** The withdrawal of a motion may be approved by way of a majority vote by those present and entitled to vote.
- **11.** Two scrutineers and a timekeeper will be appointed at the commencement of the General Meeting to act for the duration of the meeting.
- **12.** Voting for the meeting will be conducted in accordance with Clause 10 of the Constitution of the Northern Auckland Free Kindergarten Association Inc.