

MUSIC ARRANGERS' GUILD OF AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

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14. VOTING

- (a) (i) All members of current good standing and not in arrears with their contributions or levies to the Guild, shall have the right to one (1) vote in all business associated with General Meetings, as called.
 - (ii) All members with dual enrolment (both personal and business/corporate) to the Guild shall be deemed to hold one (1) vote only.
- (b) All members, as per Rule 14(a), shall have the entitlement, of casting their bone fide vote by one of the following methods:
 - (i) By attending, in person, any General Meeting as called.
 - (ii) By appointing a Proxy to attend, in person, any General Meeting as called. The Proxy may either be a financial member, a non-financial member or a non-member of the Guild.
 - (iii) By Postal Voting, whereby the vote is received, only via Australia Post mail, no later than by the close of business, on the last business day prior to any General Meeting, as called.
- (c) (i) An attending Proxy must register his/her name, residential address, telephone number and authorising documentation supplied by the Guild, upon registration at any General Meeting, as called.
 - (ii) An attending Proxy is entitled to hold up to five (5) authorisations from members, as per Rule 14(a).
 - (iii) If the attending Proxy is a non-financial member or non-member of the Guild, he or she is not entitled to enter into any forum discussion during the General Meeting, as called, unless special dispensation is granted from the General Meeting's Chair.
 - (iv) Scrutineering of Proxy Votes is permissible under Rules 13(f), 13(g), 13(h), 13(o), and 13(p).
 - (v) All authorising documentation for Proxy Votes shall remain the exclusive property of the Returning Officer after registration and during the period of the General Meeting, as called.
 - (vi) When the vote for a motion is called upon, the Returning Officer shall tally the appropriate Proxy Votes, for that motion only, and these votes shall be included in the ballot.
- (d) (i) Postal Votes will only be deemed valid if they are received from members, as per Rules 14(a) and 14(b)(iii).
 - (ii) Postal Votes will only be deemed valid when they are received on official Ballot documentation supplied by the Guild.

- (iii) All authorised documentation of Postal Votes are to remain the exclusive property of the Returning Officer, as per Rule 13(d), up to and during the period of the General Meeting, as called.
- (iv) Scrutineering of Postal Votes is permissible under Rules 13(f), 13(g), 13(h), 13(o), and 13(p).
- (v) When the vote for a motion is called upon, the Returning Officer shall tally the appropriate Postal Votes, for that motion only, and these votes shall be included in the ballot.
- (e) At least one (1) month prior to any General Meeting, the National Executive shall notify the membership with the appropriate methods and documentation for Proxy and Postal Voting.
- (f) The Returning Officer's judgement on all methods and validity of voting herein shall be deemed final.