

NEW ZEALAND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE (INC)

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RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE RULES OF THE NEW ZEALAND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE TE RIU ROA

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RESOLUTION:

That rule 12.6 be added to the NZEI Te Riu Rua constitution and sections 50.2, and 67 be amended:

Admin Rule Change 1: Membership consent to be member of NZEI Te Riu Roa (Rule 12.6 to be added to section 12)

12 Applying for Membership

12.6 All members must provide their consent to join NZEI Te Riu Roa before their membership is finalised.

Admin Rule Change 2: submitting National Executive and Te Reo Areare Interest Register to Annual Meeting (last bullet point be added)

50 Institute's Annual Meeting

50.1 The Institute's annual meeting (along with any special meetings) is the highest authority within the Institute. The Institute's annual meeting will be held face-to-face or by electronic means.

50.2 The functions of the annual meeting are to:

- consider the National Executive's report*
- consider the financial report, note the Consumer Price Index adjustment to the subscription rates and income thresholds (see Sections 16.2 & 16.6), and consider any further subscription increases needed (see Section 16.5)*
- elect the members of the National Executive (see Sections 21.1 and 26)*
- debate and determine issues of interest to the Institute, and set Institute policy accordingly (see Section 50.3)*
- amend or repeal these rules (see Section 86)*
- receive and consider the report from Te Kāhui Whetū (see Section 54)*
- receive a written report from the National Executive detailing all policy decisions that it or the Institute has made since the previous annual meeting.*

- *Receive the interest disclosure notice of National Executive and Te Reo Areare members.*

Admin Rule Change 3: Death Benefit name change to 'Bereavement Benefit'

That the name of Death Benefit in rule 67 of NZEI Te Riu Roa Constitution be changed to 'Bereavement Benefit' as follows:

67 ~~Death~~-Bereavement Benefit

67.1 The National Executive will maintain and administer a ~~Death~~-Bereavement Benefit Fund.

67.2 On the death of any full or provisional member, that member's Branch will pay an approved recipient four times the annual subscription, as set under Section 16.

67.3 The National Executive will issue guidelines to help Branches decide who the approved recipient should be.

67.4 The National Executive will immediately reimburse Branches for ~~death~~ bereavement benefit payments made.

Admin rule change 1 rational:

Section 76 of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 mandates that all members must provide their consent to join the organisation, and section 26(c) requires that constitutions must contain information regarding the requirement for members to consent to become members of the organisation prior to the finalisation of their membership.

Admin rule change 2 rational:

Section 86 (c) of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 requires all societies to present to their Annual Meetings the interest disclosure of their committee members (National Executive and Te Reo Areare)

Admin rule change 3 rational:

The term "Bereavement Benefit" accurately reflects the purpose of the fund, which is to provide financial support to the family members or designated recipients of the deceased member during their period of bereavement.

Using "Bereavement Benefit" instead of "Death Benefit" helps avoid any potential misunderstanding or confusion about who receives the benefit. It clarifies that the support is intended for the bereaved individuals rather than the deceased member themselves.

PART 3 COSTING:

There are no costs associated with these rule changes.

Date National Executive Endorsed

22 March 2024

Date: _____ President _____

Notes:

1. All resolutions to amend the Rules of the New Zealand Educational Institute (Inc) must have the sanction of the National Executive or a meeting of an Area Council or Branch.
2. Resolutions must be in the form of an amendment to the Rules of the New Zealand Educational Institute (Inc). Rules may be added to, rescinded or amended and any new section inserted.
3. All resolutions must be supported by relevant argument.
4. Resolutions may be forwarded at any time throughout the year but shall reach the National Secretary no later than **3** months prior to the Annual Meeting at which they shall be considered.