

NEW ZEALAND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE (INC)

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RESOLUTION TO AMEND INSTITUTE POLICY

National Executive/Te Reo Areare Policy Resolution proposal.

Moved by: Ripeka Lessels – Te Kahu Kiwi

Seconded by: Te Whakakotahitanga – Te Kahu Kiwi

Adopted by Meeting on: 22 March 2024

RESOLUTION:

That the Governance sub-committee of NZEI Te Riu Roa with support from staff and external legal experts be tasked with further developing the model ensuring that the constitution is fit for purpose and associated rule changes are submitted to Hui-ā-Tau 2025.

PART 2 ARGUMENTS:

At the 2022 Annual Meeting, members of NZEI Te Riu Roa passed a resolution, presented by the Christchurch Branch, to review the organisation's governance structure. The aim was to better reflect the union's commitment to Mōku te Ao and to update its representation model.

Following the 2022 Annual Meeting, a group of NZEI Te Riu Roa members, with support from external experts, was formed to lead this review. The work has been ongoing, and a report along with proposed model(s) will be presented at the Hui-ā-Tau 2024. Alongside the review, the National Executive and Te Reo Areare have adopted new ways of working as Te Kahu Kiwi, and this practice has informed the thinking about new models.

Considering the complexity of the changes and the amount of work involved, it is proposed that all associated rule changes be presented for ratification at the Annual Meeting in 2025.

By postponing the presentation of rule changes until 2025, the organisation will also have the chance to consult widely with members on the key changes required to its constitution. This will ensure that members are included in the process and kept informed leading up to the 2025 Annual Meeting.

The timing of the governance structure review and the requirement to submit the constitution under the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 provides a good opportunity for a comprehensive review of the constitution. The Governance sub-committee of NZEI Te Riu Roa with support from staff and external legal experts will be tasked with rewriting the constitution. This will include the incorporation of crucial governance structure adjustments and will ensure that the constitution is prepared for submission under the new Act as required by law. The revised constitution will be presented to Annual Meeting 2025 for final approval before submission under the new Act.

Date endorsed: 22 March 2024

Date: _____ President's signature _____

Notes:

1. All resolutions to amend Institute policy 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 established policy and if applicable to the current policy document. Policy 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.