



## NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

### Dutch Society Neerlandia

is convening a general meeting at which the following resolution will be proposed as a **Special Resolutions** to alter the rules of the association.

The meeting will be held at 2pm on Sunday, 26 May 2019.

The meeting will take place at Karls Bar, Rhine Donau Club, 110 North Lake Road, Myaree

#### **SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS:**

1. To replace the current constitution of Dutch Society Neerlandia with the new rules based on the model rules developed by the Department of Commerce in line with the *Associations Incorporations Act 2015* and to adopt these rules as the new rules governing Dutch Society Neerlandia.

At its last meeting the Committee adopted the model rules developed by the Department of Commerce except for rule 8, which read:

#### *8 Classes of membership*

- (1) *The Association consists of ordinary members and any associate members provided for under subrule (2).*
- (2) *The Association may have any class of associate membership approved by resolution at a general meeting, including junior membership, senior membership, honorary membership and life membership.*
- (3) *An individual who has not reached the age of 15 years is only eligible to be an associate member.*
- (4) *A person can only be an ordinary member or belong to one class of associate membership. An ordinary member has full voting rights and any other rights conferred on members by these rules or approved by resolution at a general meeting or determined by the committee.*
- (5) *An associate member has the rights referred to in subrule (5) other than full voting rights.*
- (6) *The number of members of any class is not limited unless otherwise approved by resolution at a general meeting.*

And replaced it instead with:

#### **8 Classes of membership**

1. The Association consists of ordinary members in the following categories:
  - a. Full fee-paying member – any person of any nationality;
  - b. Spouse or partner member – a member whose spouse or partner is a full fee paying member of the Association;

- c. Concession or Senior member – any person who holds a WA Seniors card or is otherwise deemed to be entitled to a concession (at the discretion of the Management Committee);
  - d. Life member – membership awarded to a member of the Association in recognition of their exceptional, loyal and outstanding service to the Association over an extended period of time. Lifetime members are to be elected by a 75% majority of members present at any general meeting. Notice of the name(s) of the person(s) nominated for lifetime membership shall be sent to each member of the Association at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date of the general meeting. All applications for lifetime membership are to be approved by the Management Committee;
- and Associate or Junior members - any person under the age of eighteen (18) whose parent is an Ordinary member.
2. A person can only belong to one class of membership.
  3. Ordinary members have full voting rights and any other rights conferred on members by these rules or approved by resolution at a general meeting or determined by the committee.
  4. Associate members have the rights referred to in sub rule (3) other than full voting rights.
  5. The number of members of any class is not limited unless otherwise approved by resolution at a general meeting.

Date of notice: **15<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

Approved by: *Eric van Waaijenburg*

#### **INFORMATION for MEMBERS**

- *An electronic copy of the draft model rules is attached to this email or may be found on the Neerlandia website. Members requiring a hard copy of the model rules should contact the Secretary, Yolanda Strauss on 0412 318 374.*
- *Notice of a proposed special resolution to alter the rules, name or objects must be sent to all members of the Association.*
- *In accordance with rule 17.3(a)(ii) members must be given at least 21 days' notice of the meeting.*
- *In accordance with rule 2.2 this notice must be given in writing and can be hand delivered, posted to a member's nominated address or emailed to a member's nominated email address.*
- *Alterations to the rules can only be made if supported by majority vote of members voting at the meeting.*
- *Alterations to the rules only take effect when lodged with the Department of Commerce.*