

**1 GENERAL**

**a) DEFINITIONS**

For the purposes of this Constitution:

**'Affiliated Club'** means any club (comprising one or more teams) which has received approval for Affiliation with the Association by Netball NSW;

**'Association'** means the Nambucca Valley Netball Association Inc;

**'Club Delegate'** means a duly appointed representative of an Affiliated Club of the Association;

**'Instrument'** means any document pertaining to the governance of the Association, and includes, but is not limited to, this Constitution, and the associated Policies of the Association;

**'New South Wales Netball Association Ltd'** means the controlling body for Netball in New South Wales;

**'Registered Member'** means any financial member, life member or honorary member of the Association;

**'The Office Bearers of the Association'** means the members of the Executive Committee plus Council and Sub-Committee members.

**'Team'** means any team not registered with an affiliated club.

**b) INTERPRETATION**

i) Where this Constitution conflicts with any other instrument of the Association, this Constitution shall prevail.

ii) Where ambiguity exists between this Constitution and any other instrument of the Association, the natural interpretation of the Constitution shall prevail.

iii) The Council shall hold the power to deal with and adjudicate upon all questions and disputes as to the interpretation of the Constitution, Rules and associated Policies.

**c) TITLE**

The name of the Association shall be the Nambucca Valley Netball Association Inc.

**d) COLOURS**

The Association's colours shall be pink, maroon and white.

**e) ASSOCIATION LOCATION**

The Association office and facilities are located at Marion Wood Courts Willis Street, Macksville.

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**f) BOUNDARIES**

The Association's boundaries shall be as defined by the New South Wales Netball Association Limited and as reviewed from time to time.

**g) OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of the Association shall be:

- i) to further the interests of its members and promote and control the game of Netball within the boundaries of the Association;
- ii) to promote, regulate and control competition matches between Affiliated Clubs and to control all premierships and carnivals of the Association;
- iii) to select and manage the Association's representative teams;
- iv) to affiliate with and support the New South Wales Netball Association Limited;
- v) to co-operate with other affiliated organisations in New South Wales for the furtherance of Netball; and
- vi) to seek to resolve any and all disputes which may arise between members of the Association in all matters pertaining to the game of Netball within the boundaries of the Association;
- vii) to be a court of appeal in the case of an unresolved discipline matter or dispute connected with Netball within the area controlled by the Association.

The objectives of the Association may only be altered in accordance with Clause 5 e) below.

**h) PATRON**

The Association may from time to time appoint one or more Patrons.

Any nomination received for the office of Patron shall be presented for ratification by the Council at an Annual General Meeting. The Council may also cancel any such appointment at an Annual General Meeting.

**2 MEMBERSHIP**

**a) ORDINARY MEMBERSHIP**

- i) The Association is the controlling body for Netball within its boundaries and its authority shall be recognised by all Registered Members who shall adopt and obey this Constitution and the Rules and associated Policies of the Association.
- ii) Individual members of an Affiliated Club wishing to join the Association shall:

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- a) Complete the approved Register of Members Form held by the Association Registrar.

**2 MEMBERSHIP (continued)**

**a) ORDINARY MEMBERSHIP (continued)**

- b) Pay the prescribed annual membership fees to the Association Treasurer or Registrar.
- c) Individual members of an Affiliated Club upon joining the Association shall be classified as:
  - i) Senior Players, who shall be aged 18 years of age or over at 31<sup>st</sup> December in the year of play.
  - ii) Junior Players, who shall be aged 10 to 17 years of age at 31<sup>st</sup> December in the year of play.
  - iii) Net Set Go Players, who shall be aged 10 years of age and under at 31<sup>st</sup> December in the year of play.
- iii) Membership shall also include non-players, including, but not limited to, coaches and umpires.
- iv) A person ceases to be a Registered Member of the Association if the person:
  - a) dies;
  - b) ceases to be financial under Clause 2 c) iii) below; or
  - c) is expelled from the Association under the authority of Clause 7 below.

**b) LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

- i) Any person may be elected a Life Member of the Association in recognition of outstanding service to the Association for such minimum period as the Council deems appropriate.
- ii) Candidates for election as Life Members shall be nominated by two (2) financial members of the Association and ratified by two (2) Council members of the Association and the nomination be circulated to all members at least one (1) month before the meeting at which such nominations will be considered.
- iii) The nominations must be approved by a majority of at least three-quarters ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of the members present and voting at a General Meeting, provided that the Council may, from time to time, fix the maximum number of persons who may at any time hold life membership.
- iv) A Life Member shall be entitled to attend all Council, Special Council, Annual General and any other Council meetings and shall have full voting rights.
- v) A person may have their Life Membership of the Association suspended if the person is expelled from the Association under authority of Clause 7 below:

**2 MEMBERSHIP (continued)**

**c) MEMBERSHIP FEES AND MISCELLANEOUS FEES**

- i) All fees to be paid by Registered Members, for the following year of membership, shall be determined by resolution of the Council at the next General Meeting, following receipt of advice from New South Wales Netball Association Ltd.
- ii) All Registered Members of the Association will be financial members between 1<sup>st</sup> January and 31<sup>st</sup> December each year (which covers all competitions and meetings conducted throughout that year).
- iii) A Registered Member ceases to be financial if she or he:
  - a) fails to renew her or his membership; or
  - b) fails to pay to the Association money she or he owes to the Association within the required timeframe.

**d) REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

- i) The Public Officer of the Association shall establish and maintain a Register of Members of the Association specifying the name and address of each person who is a Registered Member of the Association, together with the date on which the person became a Registered Member.
- ii) The Register of Members shall be kept at the principal place of administration of the Association and shall be open for inspection by any Registered Member of the Association at any reasonable hour; however, such inspection shall be limited to viewing the names of Registered Members only.

**e) MEMBERS' LIABILITY**

The liability of a Registered Member of the Association to contribute towards the payment of the debts and liabilities of the Association or the costs, charges and expenses of the winding up of the Association is limited to the amount, if any, unpaid by the member in respect of membership of the Association.

**f) AFFILIATION OF CLUBS**

In order to become affiliated with the Association, clubs must consist of one or more teams comprising Registered Members of New South Wales Netball Association Limited.

**g) CLUB DELEGATES**

- i) Affiliated clubs and teams shall each have the right to nominate two (2) delegates to the Council. Delegates must be a financial member of the Association

**2 MEMBERSHIP (continued)**

**g) CLUB DELEGATES (continued)**

- ii) An Affiliated Club or team has the right to withdraw a delegate and appoint another delegate in her or his place at any time.
- iii) Any such vacancy shall be filled by a nominee of the Affiliated Club whose Club Delegate has caused the vacancy.
- iv) A delegate may represent one club or team only at any meeting.

**3 MEETINGS**

**a) MEETINGS — GENERAL PROCEDURE**

- i) The President shall take the chair at all meetings of the Council or Executive Committee. In the President's absence, the Vice President shall take the chair.
- ii) If neither the President nor Vice President is present within fifteen (15) minutes of the time fixed for the commencement of the meeting, the members present shall elect a Chairperson.
- iii) A quorum for ordinary Council meetings shall consist of at least two (2) Executive Members plus at least three (3) other regular members. A quorum for an Executive Committee meeting shall consist of half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the total number of the Executive Committee plus one.
- iv) If no quorum is present fifteen (15) minutes after the time fixed for the commencement of a meeting, it shall be adjourned to such time and place as the Chairperson shall decide. The Secretary shall give notice thereof.
- v) The accidental omission to give any member the required notice shall not invalidate a meeting nor any of the business of the meeting.
- vi) Questions arising at an ordinary meeting of the Council, Executive Committee or any Sub-Committee are to be determined by a simple majority of votes cast by eligible members. Members eligible to vote at Council meetings include members of the Executive Committee and the nominated Delegates from each affiliated club or team. Each eligible member shall have one (1) vote to be taken in such a manner as the Chairperson shall direct, except that a secret ballot shall be taken if any member requests it.
- vii) In the case of an equality of votes, the President (or the person otherwise presiding) shall, in addition, have a casting vote, only after a second vote has been held by secret ballot.
- viii) There shall be no voting by proxy.

**3 MEETINGS (continued)**

**a) MEETINGS — GENERAL PROCEDURE (continued)**

- ix) Meeting procedure shall be further guided by Clause 5 d) Standing Orders as defined in the New South Wales Netball Association Ltd Constitution.

**b) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

- i) An Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held within sixty (60) days after the end of each financial year. NVNA's financial year runs from 1<sup>st</sup> October to 30<sup>th</sup> September.
- ii) All Registered Members may attend and vote.
- v) Not less than twenty-one (21) days written notice of the Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be given.
- iv) A quorum for an Annual General Meeting shall consist of half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the total number of the Executive Committee plus one and at least three (3) other regular members.
- v) The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be:
- a) Confirmation of the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting;
  - b) Consideration and adoption of the following reports:  
  
*President's Report*  
*Secretary's Report*  
*Treasurer's Report*  
*Canteen Report*  
*Coaching Convenor Report*  
*Umpire Convenor Report*
  - c) Such other business as the meeting thinks fit;
  - d) Election of Office Bearers.
- vi) The following Office Bearers shall be elected and shall form the Executive Committee:  
  
*President;*  
*Vice President;*  
*Secretary;*  
*Treasurer;*  
*Umpires' Convenor;*  
*Coaching Convenor*
- vii) The following Office Bearers shall also be elected:  
  
*Rep Secretary;*

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*Registrar;*  
*Match Secretary;*  
*Publicity Officer;*  
*Fundraising Co-ordinator;*  
*Canteen Convenor;*  
*Public Officer (Treasurer);*  
*Net Set Go Convenor;*  
*Member Protection Information Officers (1-3).*

- viii) Nominations for election, with the written consent of the nominee, shall be lodged with the Secretary at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting at which the elections are to be held. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor, but the nominee must be present at the meeting to accept the nomination.
- ix) Current Office Bearers shall be eligible for re-election.
- x) The President, Secretary or Treasurer of the Association shall not hold the position of President, Secretary or Treasurer of an Affiliated Club without the permission of the Executive.
- xi) No person shall be elected to more than one (1) position to the Executive Committee.
- xii) Not more than two (2) members of the Executive Committee shall be members of any one Affiliated Club.
- xiii) Office Bearers elected at the Annual General Meeting shall assume office at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office for the ensuing year, unless they are removed or resign in the interim.
- xiv) The Association may, at a Special Council Meeting, by resolution, remove any Office Bearer before the expiration of her or his term of office and may by resolution, appoint another person to hold office until the expiration of the term of office of the Office Bearer so removed.
- xv) An Office Bearer may resign her or his position by providing written notice of her or his intention to do so to the Association Secretary. The Council shall, at its next meeting, by resolution appoint a replacement to hold the position for the remainder of the resigned person's term of office.

**c) SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS**

- i) Special Council meetings shall be called by the Secretary:
  - a) at the direction of the President;
  - b) upon receipt of a requisition signed by not less than one-third (1/3) of the members of the Council.
- ii) All eligible Members may attend and vote.

**3 MEETINGS (continued)**

**c) SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS (continued)**

- iii) Not less than three (3) days written notice shall be given to members of the Council and to the Secretary of each Affiliated Club, specifying the time and location of the Special Council Meeting, and the nature of the business to be considered.
- iv) A quorum for a Special Council Meeting shall consist of half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the total number of the Executive Committee plus one (1) and at least three (3) other regular members.

**4 ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE**

**a) THE COUNCIL**

- i) The Council shall consist of:
  - a) the Office Bearers of the Association
  - b) Life Members; and
  - c) two (2) Delegates from each Affiliated Club or team.
- ii) The Council shall meet at least five (5) times each year on dates to be fixed by the Council. At least three of these meetings shall be held at not less than monthly intervals between February and August inclusive.
- iii) Not less than seven (7) days written notice shall be given specifying the time and place of the meeting of Council, and any special business to be dealt with.
- iv) Order of business at Council meetings shall be:
  - a) Present;
  - b) Apologies;
  - c) Opening;
  - d) Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting;
  - e) Business Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting;
  - f) Notices of Motion;
  - g) Elections;
  - h) Reports:
    - Executive Committee*
    - Treasurer*
    - Umpires' Convenor*
    - Coaching Convenor*
    - Representative Secretary*
    - Other Officer Bearers Reports*
    - Sub-Committees*
    - Delegates to other organisations*
    - Any other reports*



**4 ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE (continued)**

- i) Correspondence;
  - j) General Business;
  - k) Next Meeting Date;
  - l) Closure.
- v) Association delegates to other organisations shall submit a written report to the Secretary of all meetings/functions attended on behalf of the Association within twenty-eight (28) days of such meeting/function.

**b) POWERS OF COUNCIL**

- i) The Council shall be responsible for the execution of the objectives of the Association and without in any way limiting this responsibility shall have power:
  - a) to control and manage the affairs of the Association;
  - b) to fix fees payable by members and to enforce payment thereof;
  - c) to control the funds of the Association and for that purpose to open and operate banking accounts; to invest funds in any manner authorised by law for the investment of trust funds; to acquire real and personal property of all descriptions and to sell or otherwise dispose of it; to borrow money on behalf of the Association and to give security therefore; to enter into guarantees of indebtedness on behalf of any Affiliated Club; and, generally, to carry out and attend to all such matters as shall be necessary for the proper management and control of the property of the Association;
  - d) to deal with and adjudicate upon any complaint made to it of misconduct generally detrimental to the policy, interests or welfare of the Association by any Registered Member;
  - d) to appoint two (2) delegates and two (2) proxy delegates to represent the Association on the Committee of the New South Wales Netball Association Ltd;
  - f) to appoint any delegate or delegates to represent the Association for any purpose with such powers as may be thought fit;

**c) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

- i) The Executive Committee shall consist of the following voting members:

*President;*  
*Vice-President;*  
*Secretary;*  
*Treasurer.*  
*Umpires' Convenor;*  
*Coaching Convenor;*

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- ii) Executive Committee Meetings shall be held from time to time as determined by the Executive Committee;
- iii) Should it be necessary to call an Executive meeting, all Executive Committee members shall be notified at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting being held;
- iv) Should a quorum of the Executive Committee be present, an emergency meeting may be convened at any time;
- v) Any member of the Executive Committee who, without leave of the Executive Committee, has failed to attend three (3) consecutive meetings shall be deemed to have resigned and shall be replaced in accordance with Clause 3 b) xiv).
- vi) The first duty of a member of the Executive Committee shall be an Association function as opposed to a club function.

**d) DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

- i) The Executive Committee shall exercise the functions and powers of the Committee between meetings of the Committee and its decisions shall be subject to ratification by the Committee at the next meeting.
- ii) Approve all nominees eligible for selection into the Association Representative Teams prior to selection. The Selection Sub-Committee shall meet with the Executive Committee following the selection trials.
- iii) Receive and consider reports from the manager, coaches, umpires and captains of Association representative teams.
- iv) Consider nominations for Life Membership and make recommendations to the Committee prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- v) Ensure the presentation of a financial report to all Committee meetings and make recommendations to the Committee on matters of finance and policy.
- vi) Approve the Association Report to be presented to the New South Wales Netball Association Ltd.

**e) SUB-COMMITTEES**

- i) The following Sub-Committees may be elected at the Annual General Meeting each year, or at any other time deemed necessary to deal with a particular matter:
  - a) Canteen (comprising the Executive Committee plus the Canteen Convenor and the Assistant Canteen Convenor);
  - b) Fundraising (comprising five (5) members plus the Fundraising Co-ordinator.
  - c) Grounds (comprising five (5) members plus the Grounds Convenor); and
  - d) Selection (comprising two (2) members plus the Coaching Convenor

- ii) Members of Sub-Committees shall be Registered Members of the Association.
- iii) Members of the Executive Committee are eligible to stand for election to Sub-Committees, but may not be elected the Convenor/Co-coordinator thereof.
- iv) No Registered Member may be a member, other than an ex officio member, of more than three (3) standing Sub-Committees.
- v) The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be ex officio members of all Sub-Committees with the exception of the Selection Sub-Committee.

**e) SUB-COMMITTEES (continued)**

- vi) With the approval of Council, persons other than the elected members may be co-opted to assist with the business of a particular Sub-Committee.
- vii) The Council may, from time to time, appoint such additional Sub-Committees as it thinks fit and define the functions thereof.
- viii) Casual Sub-Committees may be appointed by Council from time to time to fulfil a particular function.
- ix) Nominations for any Sub-Committee formed for a specific purpose for a period of less than twelve (12) months, shall be called for from the floor of the meeting, with Council's approval.
- x) Members of Sub-Committees shall not disclose any matters discussed at their meetings unless or until such matters have been presented to Council.
- xi) Each Sub-Committee shall submit a written report, with any recommendations, to each meeting of Council for ratification.
- xii) A Sub-Committee Convenor shall:
  - a) be responsible for advising Sub-Committee members, including ex-officio members and the Association Secretary, of all meetings at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting;
  - b) be responsible for keeping in a Minute Book an accurate record of all meetings;
  - c) forward copies of the Minutes to the Secretary and to each member of the Sub-Committee within fourteen (14) days of each meeting;
  - d) submit reports for consideration by the Executive Committee and/or Council as required.

f) **NETBALL NSW MID NORTH COAST REGION DELEGATES**

The Executive shall nominate any two members of the Executive Committee as it sees fit to be delegates to Netball NSW Mid North Coast Region. If two members of the Executive Committee Council are not available, any other member may be co-opted by the Executive Committee to the delegation.

**5 DUTIES OF MEMBERS AND SUB-COMMITTEES**

**a) DUTIES OF NVNA SUB-COMMITTEES**

- i) The **GROUND'S SUB-COMMITTEE** shall:
  - a) be responsible for the maintenance of the building and grounds;
  - b) inspect the courts to establish if fit for play, as a first priority taking into account the Association's duty of care to its members;
  - c) have the power to speak to any person on the grounds in relation to litter in accordance with Local Committee Ordinances.
  
- ii) The **REPRESENTATIVE SELECTION SUB-COMMITTEE** shall:
  - a) have at least one member who holds a current Development Coaching Accreditation;
  - b) meet to receive the nominations for candidates for selection on the set form, as soon as practicable after the closing date and prior to the first selection;
  - c) present the full list of nominations to the Executive Committee for ratification prior to selections;
  - d) select Association teams as may be decided by Council from time to time. All selections made by the Selection Sub-Committee shall be final;
  - e) consider the reports of the Managers and Coaches of the previous year in making selections. These reports are to be treated as confidential;
  - f) accept for consideration recommendations from the relevant coach prior to final selection;
  - g) advise the Executive Committee Council and the relevant coach of the final team selection prior to its announcement;
  - h) select players to fill cover positions should any vacancy arise in any representative teams. These players will not be announced on the day of selection.
  - i) perform such other duties as shall be decided by Council from time to time.
  
- iii) The **FUNDRAISING SUB-COMMITTEE** shall:

- a) co-ordinate the fundraising activities of the Association;
- b) keep necessary books of account and produce them on the instruction of Council;
- c) bank all monies within seven (7) days of receipt;
- d) pass any accounts for payment on to the Treasurer before the next meeting;
- e) perform such other duties as directed by the Council from time to time.

**b) DUTIES OF MEMBERS**

The members shall:-

- i abide by the By-Laws, Policies and Procedures of the Association; and
- ii recognise and adhere to all clauses of the Constitution.

**6 ADMINISTRATION**

**a) MEMBER PROTECTION**

i Member Protection Policy Statement

Protecting children and young people from risk of harm is a responsibility that we must all undertake.

Through the implementation of strategies that assist in preventing child abuse from occurring, the Association has taken a pro-active role in relation to child protection.

These strategies will help to foster a safe and positive environment for children and young people to participate in physical activities.

The Association is committed to ensuring that the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children and young people is maintained at all times during their participation in activities run by the Association and its member bodies.

The Association aims to promote a safe environment for all children and young people and to assist all staff, officials, coaches, members and volunteers, to recognise indicators of risk of harm and to follow the appropriate reporting procedures.

ii Member Protection Information Officers

The Association will appoint at least one fully trained Member Protection Information Officers and provide them with Member Protection information and inform all members of their appointment and their roles.

The Executive Committee will undertake the online component of the MPIO training and provide feedback to general Council and regular members about the processes involved.

iii Member Protection Officers

**ALL** members are Member Protection Officers and **MUST** treat an allegation of reportable conduct involving a person as a very serious matter. They **MUST** take the person to one of the Member Protection Information Officers of the person's choice.

**6 ADMINISTRATION (continued)**

**a) MEMBER PROTECTION (continued)**

iv Duties of Member Protection Information Officers

*Initial Response*

- ◆ Clarify the details of the allegation
- ◆ Follow your established reporting procedures
- ◆ Assess the risks and take interim action to ensure the person's safety
- ◆ Report to DoCS and NSW Police, if necessary
- ◆ Address the support needs of the person
- ◆ Maintain confidentiality, fairness and trust
- ◆ Communicate appropriately with relevant parties.

*Next steps*

- ◆ The person may need to be interviewed by a professional (eg DoCS, NSW Police)
- ◆ Identify people who can provide relevant information
- ◆ Document all details
- ◆ Where required, refer to an independent person to conduct an investigation (complaints handling officer)

*Information gathering*

- ◆ Collect relevant documentary evidence and record all witness interviews
- ◆ Review the initial risk assessment and take action to address concerns.

*Procedural*

- ◆ Maintain strict confidentiality

*Taking action*

- ◆ Report to the Commission for Children and Young People where it meets the definition of a completed proceeding\*.

**b) FINANCE**

- i) The funds of the Association shall be derived from annual Membership fees, other fees and donations, and, subject to any resolution passed by the Association in a Council, Special Council or Annual General Meeting, such other sources as the Executive Committee determines.
- ii) The main banking accounts of the Association shall be kept at a Financial Institute approved by the Council and all cheques and/or Electronic Transactions operating

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on the accounts shall be signed by any two (2) of the President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer.

- iii) The Financial Year of the Association shall commence on 1<sup>st</sup> October and end on 30<sup>th</sup> September of each year.
- iv) The current bank statements/pass books shall be tabled at each meeting of Committee, together with a written financial report.
- v) A financial report shall be presented to each Annual General Meeting.
- vi) All New South Wales Netball Association Ltd fees shall be paid by the due date.
- viii) No Office Bearer of the Association shall be entitled to receive remuneration for any services as such. Office Bearers are entitled to receive reimbursement for expenses incurred in carrying out Association duties.

**c) CUSTODY OF BOOKS**

Except as otherwise provided by these rules, all records, books and other documents relating to the Association shall be kept under the custody or control of the Public Officer.

**d) INSPECTION OF RECORDS**

Any Registered Member may inspect the books of account and minute book of the Association at any reasonable time.

**e) ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND POLICIES OF THE ASSOCIATION**

This Constitution, and the Policies of the Association may be altered by special resolution passed by at least three-quarters ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of the members present and voting and an Annual General Meeting or Special Council Meeting of the Association of which not less than twenty-one (21) days written notice specifying the resolution/s to be proposed has been given.

Any alteration made to the Constitution or Policies of the Association shall be forwarded to the New South Wales Netball Association Ltd within twenty-eight (28) days of the meeting at which such alteration was made.

**g) DISSOLUTION OF THE ASSOCIATION**

The Association shall not be dissolved except by special resolution passed by a majority of at least three-quarters ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of the members present and voting at a Special Council Meeting of the Association of which not less than twenty-one (21) days written notice specifying the resolution to be proposed had been given.

On dissolution of the Association, any property whatsoever remaining after the determination and settlement of all debts and liabilities shall be paid or transferred to the New South Wales Netball Association Ltd to be used for the promotion of Netball within the boundaries of the area referred to in Clause 1 f) above.

**h) MEETING RULES**

All meetings shall be run according to the principles laid out in “*Guide for Meetings and Organisations, Volume 2*” by N E Renton.

## **7 DISCIPLINE**

- a) The authority of the Association shall extend to and be recognised by all Registered Members of the Association and shall be primarily vested in the Council.
- b) The Council shall hold the power to deal with and adjudicate upon any complaint brought to it of misconduct generally detrimental to the policy, interests or welfare of the Association by the MPIO.
- c) The Council shall vest responsibility for any complaint made to it or brought to it of misconduct by any Registered Member on the premises of the Association or as a representative of the Association in the Executive Committee. Such a complaint need not be lodged by a Registered Member.
- d) The Council or its delegate may reprimand, impose a bond upon, suspend or expel from membership for such period as it thinks fit any Registered Member to whom this Constitution applies. This power shall automatically be vested in the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee may however, issue generalised conduct warnings to all teams.
- e) A Registered Member against whom disciplinary action of any form is taken shall have the right of appeal in writing within seven (7) days of the date of notification of such disciplinary action to be taken. Any such appeal shall be directed to, and determined by, the Executive Committee in accordance with the relevant Policy.

*This is a copy of the Nambucca Valley Netball Association Inc Constitution in its final form for identification purposes referred to in the motions at the Special Committee Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019.*

Confirmed and signed by the President.

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L. Porter