



## **POLICY NO. 4020**

### **MEMBER RESOLUTIONS POLICY (Interim)**

#### **Introduction**

This policy replaces the BCCPAC Resolutions Policy of December 2009 and governs all resolutions for the BCCPAC Annual General Meetings (“AGM”).

#### **A. General**

1. Regular Members in good standing have the right to propose resolutions for consideration at AGMs, subject to this policy. A Regular Member in good standing is a PAC or DPAC that joined and paid membership dues for the current membership year by December 15<sup>th</sup>.
2. All member resolutions are subject to this policy.
3. The Board is responsible for implementing this policy, through the AGM Resolution Acceptance Committee.
4. Member resolutions must not:
  - a) contravene any law, or
  - b) be frivolous, vexatious, defamatory, or damaging to BCCPAC.
5. Member resolutions must be consistent with BCCPAC’s constitutional purposes (see section 2 of the constitution) and be submitted on a Resolutions Form. There are two types of member resolutions. One is a resolution that advocates for change to BCCPAC’s Constitution and/or Bylaws. The other is a resolution that advocates change to BC’s public education system.
6. Member resolutions to amend BCCPAC’s constitution and/or bylaws, must be received at the BCCPAC office by 11:59 PM on January 31<sup>st</sup>, and may be submitted by mail, fax, in person, courier, or e-mail, as set out on the form. The form is available from the office, and on the website. They cannot be proposed at the AGM and require 75% of all voting members present to vote in favour of such a resolution for it to pass.
7. A member resolution not advocating for change to BCCPAC’s constitution or bylaws received by 11:59 PM on March 5<sup>th</sup> which has met the criteria of and been accepted by the Resolutions Committee, will be included in the AGM resolutions booklet, and will be on the AGM agenda.
8. The AGM Resolution Acceptance Committee must:
  - a) Review all member resolutions that are received.

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- b) Ensure that member resolutions are consistent with the Society Act, BCCPAC's constitution and bylaws, BCCPAC's status as a registered charity, and other applicable laws.
  - c) To the extent possible, ensure that the wording and goals of member resolutions are clear, and that they would have the desired effect. Interact with members as needed to accomplish this task.
  - d) Edit member resolutions, and the rationales for them, to ensure clarity and to meet publication limitations, but without changing the substance of resolutions.
9. The AGM Resolution Acceptance Committee may reject member resolutions that do not meet the criteria of this policy. A proposer must be given notice of the rejection and the reasons for the rejection. The proposer has the right to appeal the rejection to the Board. An appeal must be made immediately upon receiving notice of the rejection. The Board must consider and determine the appeal within seven days after it is made, and the proposer and the AGM Resolution Acceptance Committee have the right to make submissions before the decision is made.
10. A member resolution that advocates change in the B.C. public education system must:
- a) Address an issue that generally concerns BCCPAC and its members, or a significant subset of its members.
  - b) Include sufficient information to enable the AGM Resolution Acceptance Committee to determine the context, intention, and effect of the resolution, and its financial and operational implications.
  - c) Clearly state how it is to be implemented.
  - d) Not conflict with the Statement of Policy.
  - e) Not duplicate in intent or effect a resolution that was defeated at the last AGM
11. If several member resolutions and they have the same or substantially the same intention, the AGM Resolution Acceptance Committee may combine them into a single resolution. The combined resolution must be provided to all proposers for comment. The resolution will be considered to have been proposed by the first member to have submitted it.
12. A member proposing a resolution not included in the AGM Resolutions booklet, must have a delegate present at the AGM to move it, and it must be seconded.
13. Resolutions approved by the AGM Resolution Acceptance Committee and published in the AGM Resolutions Booklet do not require a mover to be present at the AGM; however, the resolution must be seconded by a delegate present at the AGM.
14. Other member resolutions may be proposed at the AGM. Those that relate to the conduct of the AGM, or that are required under the Society Act or the bylaws, will be

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considered as they arise. All other such resolutions can only be considered after all the other business in the agenda has been dealt with. In addition, before such a resolution is debated, the Chair must determine if it is acceptable under the Society Act, the Constitution and Bylaws, and this policy, and it must be added to the agenda by ordinary resolution.

15. After the AGM, the Board of Directors must file all special resolutions that pass with the Registrar of Companies, incorporate the filed resolutions in the consolidated constitution and bylaws, and publish the labelled consolidated Constitution and Bylaws to the website and as otherwise required.
16. After the AGM, the Board of Directors must add to the Statement of Policy all approved member resolutions that advocate change in the B.C. public education system, and take such steps as it reasonably can to implement them.
17. The Board may propose resolutions subject to this policy.

#### **B. Reference**

AGM Resolutions Acceptance Committee  
AGM Resolutions Appeals Committee

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