

SCHEDULE 3

GENERAL MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

1. An Annual Meeting of members of the amalgamated fund shall be held in the month of June in every year, at such time and place as the Management Committee shall from time to time appoint, for the purpose of receiving the annual report and accounts and for the conduct of the general business of the fund.

2. Any member desiring to move a resolution at the Annual Meeting relating to the affairs or administration of the amalgamated fund shall not later than the 30th April give to the Secretary notice in writing signed by the member and setting forth the proposed resolution and a copy of such resolution shall be sent by the Secretary to every member not less than 14 days before the date appointed for the Annual Meeting.

3. An Extraordinary Meeting of members may from time to time be convened by the Management Committee but in a case where the business to be transacted at such meeting concerns a particular section of the amalgamated fund, only after the Sectional Committee concerned has had an opportunity to consider that business. An Extraordinary Meeting shall be convened on a requisition (stating the purpose for which the meeting is desired) to the Secretary signed by at least 50 members. An Extraordinary Meeting shall be held at such time and place as the Management Committee shall appoint.

4. The notice convening an Extraordinary Meeting shall specify the business to be transacted and no business shall be transacted thereat which is not so specified.

5.—(1) The Management Committee when convening any General Meeting shall give not less than 14 days' notice by advertisement or otherwise as the Management Committee may determine of the date, place and hour appointed for the meeting.

(2) Not less than 14 days before the date appointed for an Annual Meeting, there shall be sent to every member a copy of the annual report and accounts of the amalgamated fund and of any special report made by the auditors.

(3) The non-receipt by a member of a notice or of a copy of the said report and accounts shall not invalidate the proceedings at any meeting.

6. The chairman of every General Meeting shall be the chairman of the Management Committee or a Board's committee-man.

7.—(1) Twenty members shall form a quorum at a General Meeting and no business (except the adjournment of the meeting) shall be transacted at any such meeting unless a quorum is present when the meeting proceeds to business.

(2) In the case of a General Meeting at which the business due to be transacted includes the election of the contributors' committee-men (or members' committee-men) for one or more Sectional Committees, each such election shall take place only if there are present at least twenty members entitled to vote in respect of the relevant Sectional Committee.

(3) In the case of an Extraordinary Meeting at which the business to be transacted includes the amendment of the rules applicable to a particular section or the confirmation of such amendment, the said business shall only be taken in relation to that section if there are present at least twenty members who belong to that section.

(4) The provisions of this paragraph have effect subject to paragraph 8 below.

8.—(1) If within one hour from the time appointed for the holding of a General Meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time

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and place, and, if at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within one hour from the time appointed for holding the meeting, the members then present shall form a quorum.

(2) If in the case of such a General Meeting as is referred to in subparagraph (2) or such an Extraordinary Meeting as is referred to in subparagraph (3) of the last foregoing paragraph the requisite number of members of the particular section is not present, then (after transacting all business other than that for which such number is required) the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place and if at the adjourned meeting the requisite number of such members is not present within one hour from the time appointed for holding the meeting, then the actual number of members of the section in question present at the meeting shall be a sufficient number for transacting the business relating to that section.

9. Every resolution moved at a General Meeting shall be decided in the first instance by a show of hands of the members present and, unless a poll be demanded by at least 30 members present, or by one half of the members present, a resolution declared by the chairman to have been carried shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting.

10.—(1) Each member present at a General Meeting shall have one vote and no person other than a member shall vote thereat:

Provided that a Board's committee-man on the Management Committee or a Sectional Committee shall be entitled to be present and to have a vote (but only one vote) and otherwise to act at a General Meeting as if he were a member, and in case of an equality of votes the chairman shall have an additional or casting vote.

(2) A member who is present at a General Meeting and is proxy for any other member shall in the event of a poll being demanded and taken have in addition to his own vote one vote for each member for whom he is proxy.

11. If a poll be taken, it shall be taken by open voting or, if 30 or more members or one half of the members present so desire, by secret voting. The chairman may adjourn the meeting for a reasonable time for the purposes of taking the poll and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the decision of the meeting at which the poll was demanded and shall be binding on the members.

12. A member may appoint any other member of the section of which he is a member as his proxy for voting at a General Meeting where a poll is demanded and taken. Such an appointment shall be made by an instrument of proxy in the form hereinafter provided or to the like effect and shall be signed by the member appointing the proxy and shall be left with the Secretary or at his office at least 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting therein specified and shall be available only for that meeting and any adjournment thereof.

13. The following shall be the form of an instrument of proxy:—

14. Every such instrument of proxy shall be valid until it be either revoked by a notice in writing under the hand of the appointing member and left with the Secretary or at his office or by the attendance of the appointing member at the meeting for which the proxy was given.

15. The chairman of a General Meeting at which a quorum is present may with the consent of the majority of the members present thereat adjourn the meeting to any hour of the same or a later day. Whenever a meeting is adjourned for 10 days or more, notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given in the same manner as of an original meeting, but save as aforesaid a member shall not be entitled to any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting. No business shall be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than business which might have been transacted at the meeting for which the adjournment took place.

16. The declaration by the chairman of a General Meeting that a resolution has been carried or carried by a particular majority or lost shall be conclusive.

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17. Minutes of the proceedings of every General Meeting shall be recorded by the Secretary in a book to be kept for that purpose, and the minutes shall be signed within 14 days of the meeting by the chairman of the meeting or failing him by any three members of the Management Committee present thereat, and the minutes when so recorded and signed shall in the absence of proof of error therein be conclusive evidence of the proceedings.

18. The members in General Meeting shall have no powers except such as are conferred upon them expressly or by implication by this Order.