

100.7 RIVERLAND LIFE FM Membership Policy

Membership is part of the foundation that is essential to our community radio station and the Station appreciates very much the personal commitment and partnership which membership represents.

RULES FOR MEMBERSHIP

Membership rules are incorporated into the Constitution of Riverland Christian Radio Inc (trading as 'Riverland Life FM') Part VI & VII, ratified 26th April 2018, and are as follows:

VI MEMBERSHIP

- (1) Membership of the Association shall be open to any person willing and able to declare their interest in furthering the objects of the Association subject to the requirements of this Constitution.
- (2) Application for membership shall be made in writing and signed by the applicant and shall be in such form as the Board shall prescribe from time to time. Upon acceptance of the application by the Board or successful appeal and upon payment of the appropriate membership fee in accordance with Part VII of this Constitution, the applicant shall be a member of the Association.
- (3) All full members who are registered when a General Meeting is called shall be entitled to one vote at that General Meeting of the Association, a full member being a person who has satisfied the conditions set out in Part VII.
- (4) The Secretary shall cause a membership register to be kept which shall contain entries of the full names and addresses of every member.
- (5) If any member fails to pay any fee due pursuant to Part VII Clauses (1) and (2) herein, membership shall cease.
- (6) Any member may resign from membership of the Association upon giving notice in writing to the Secretary of their intention to resign and upon receipt of such notice the membership shall cease.
- (7) The Board may refuse membership of an applicant if that applicant does not agree to support the objects and Statement of Faith of the Association, or has persistently and wilfully behaved a manner prejudicial to the interests of the Association. Such applicant shall be notified in writing of the Board's decision to not accept their membership application.
- (8) Notwithstanding the provisions of Part VI Clause (7) above, any applicant whose membership has been refused by the Board may, by notice in writing, given or delivered to the Secretary of the Board within 28 days from the date of notice of refusal, appeal to a meeting of the Board. The appeal shall be heard and decided at the next meeting of the Board following the giving of notice. The decision of the meeting shall be delivered in writing to the appellant within 28 days.
- (9) It shall be open to a person who has unsuccessfully appealed to the Board against a refusal of membership, to appeal to the Association in general meeting against the refusal. The intention to appeal shall be communicated to the Secretary or Public Officer of the Association within 28 days after the determination of the Board has been communicated to the appellant.

- (10) In the event of an appeal under Part VI Clause (9) the appellant's membership application shall be received unless the determination of the Board to refuse membership is upheld by the members of the Association in general meeting.
- (11) The Board may terminate the membership of a member if that member no longer agrees with or supports the objects and Statement of Faith of the Association, or has persistently and wilfully behaved in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the Association or has otherwise conducted themselves in such a way as to be in breach of the requirements and rules of this constitution. Such member shall be notified in writing of the Board's decision.
- (12) Notwithstanding the provisions of Part VI Clause (11) above, any member whose membership has been terminated by the Board may, by notice in writing, given or delivered to the Secretary of the Board within 28 days from the date of notice of termination, appeal to a meeting of the Board. The appeal shall be heard and determined by the next meeting of the Board following the giving of notice. The aggrieved member shall be permitted to put their case in person to the Board.
- (13) It shall be open to a member to appeal to the Association in general meeting against the expulsion. The intention to appeal shall be communicated to the Secretary or Public Officer of the Association within 28 days after the determination of the Board has been communicated to a member.
- (14) In the event of an appeal under Part VI Clause (13) the appellant's membership of the Association shall not be terminated unless the determination of the Board to expel the member is upheld by the members of the Association in general meeting after the appellant has been heard, and in such event membership will be terminated at the date of the general meeting at which the determination of the Board is upheld.
- (15) Any member of the Association may be an observer at meetings of the Board of the Association but not possess a vote at such Board meetings.

VII FEES

- (1) All members' fees shall be due and payable annually on a date determined by the Board of Management.
- (2) Should any member fail to pay their due fee within three calendar months of the due date, their membership shall cease.
- (3) The annual fees payable by members shall be as is determined from time to time by the Board.
- (4) A full membership for life can be granted by the Board from time to time when the Board agree that it is warranted.

APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP

The fee schedule includes options for:

- Full Annual Membership
- Associate Annual Membership (non-voting subscription)

In applying for membership, applicants must acknowledge that they have read and agreed to the Objects and Statement of Faith as per the Association's constitution.

Membership application forms are available from the Station, and are downloadable from the Station website. Payment of membership includes GST.

MEMBERSHIP RIGHTS AND INVOLVEMENT

Members are valued participants in the mission and the work of Riverland Life FM. Members are encouraged to pray for staff and work of the station, act as ambassadors of the station in the community, and to consider being regularly involved in various areas of operations.

Riverland Life FM accepts both individual and corporate members.

Members receive regular correspondence about activities and progress of Riverland Life FM, in the form of quarterly newsletters and/or emails.

All members are given appropriate advance notice of general meetings, and full members are entitled to vote. Corporate members must nominate a representative in order to vote.

A register (data-base) of members is kept and maintained at the station office.