## **BY-LAWS OF RUGBY CLUB WAGENINGEN**

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### MEMBERSHIP

## Article 1.

Anyone who subscribes to the objectives of the association may become a member or donor.

## Article 2.

By the fact of her registration, a member declares to submit to the provisions of the statutes, internal regulations and validly adopted resolutions.

### Article 3.

- 1. Members' rights are:
  - a. access to the association's premises;
  - b. use of the association's general property;
  - c. participating in and presenting proposals at the general members meeting;
  - d. elect and be elected to committees and the board;
  - e. introducing individuals.
- 2. Depending on membership type, members may additionally:
  - a. participate in the trainings;
  - b. participate in competitions if selected.

## Article 4.

The duties of members are:

- a. arriving on time at practices and competitions;
- b. respecting teammates, trainers and coaches, match-officials and the opponents;
- c. play sports and behave according to the code of conduct;
- d. careful handling of materials and accommodation;
- e. to be active volunteers;
- f. being a role model and demonstrating this.

### Article 5.

The association has playing and non-playing members. Playing members pay union dues as well as association dues and are registered with the rugby union by the secretary.

### **GENERAL MEMBERS MEETING**

### Article 6.

The president must put to a vote all motions that have been announced to the board at least 15 days before a general members meeting, when desired by the proposers and in order of submission.

### Article 7.

Amendments to a proposed decision will be discussed in order of submission.

### Article 8.

For written ballots, the president shall appoint a committee of 3 members as tellers, who shall satisfy themselves that the number of ballots is equal to that of the members present, open the ballots and announce the result of the vote.

# CANDIDATE

### Article 9.

The board is required to nominate a candidate for each vacancy on the board and announce it at least 14 days before the installation.

## Article 10.

Following the nomination of candidates by the board, voting members may submit counter-candidates in a written nomination no later than 7 days after the announcement of the candidate by the board. The nomination must be signed by at least 7 voting members and include the name and position of the candidate and must be accompanied by a statement from the candidate that she accepts the candidacy. Names and positions of counter-candidates must be announced immediately after the nomination is submitted by the board.

### Article 11.

If counter-candidates have been submitted, the election shall take place at a general member meeting within 21 days of the nomination of candidates by the board. If no counter-candidates are submitted, the installation may take place at a board meeting.

## **BOARD**

## Article 12.

The board shall be in charge of the management of the association and the implementation of the legally established decisions. The board manages the finances and property of the association and is entitled to act in urgent cases.

### Article 13.

The chairperson convenes and conducts board meetings. She oversees the work of the other board members.

### Article 14.

The secretary conducts communication insofar as it is not the task of another board member. She prepares the minutes of the general members meeting and board meetings. She communicates the most important events in the association. She shall be responsible for the membership list of the association. She shall be in charge of the care of the association archives.

### Article 15.

The treasurer is responsible for accounting and (communication of) the funds. She is liable for association funds, which are under her management. She collects dues from members and donors. She informs the secretary which members want to become members of the rugby union. It collects the capital contributions established by the general members meeting. She takes care of the levying of entrance fees at the home games of the association. She gives an account of the management conducted in a general members meeting.

### Article 16.

Board members replace each other in their positions as needed.

### Article 17.

A board meeting is not lawful if fewer than 3 board members are present.

### Article 18.

The board may be represented by one or more board members or one of the members.

## **COMMITTEES**

### Article 19.

A committee consists of at least 2 members including a chairperson. The members are appointed by the board from the ordinary members. If a vacancy occurs, the board shall appoint a new member as soon as possible, having heard the committee.

### Article 20.

A committee is accountable to the board. Each committee and officer has a board member as its point of contact. It makes its expenditures in consultation with the board.

# Article 21.

The chairman of the committee shall convene and conduct the committee meeting. A committee meeting is valid only if more than half of the committee members are present.

### Article 22.

Each committee shall submit an annual plan and budget for the new season to the board for approval no later than 2 months before the end of the fiscal year. The annual plan contains an evaluation of the committee activities and functioning of the past year and justification of the costs incurred. In addition, the annual plan describes the goals and results for the coming year and the corresponding budget.

## Article 23.

A committee membership ends by:

- a. thank in writing as such to the Secretary of the Board;
- b. suspension or loss of membership;
- c. removal from office by the board member serving as point of contact;
- d. death.

## CASH

## Article 24.

Dues are set annually at a general members meeting. On the proposal of the board, the general membership meeting may levy a head count from the members, if necessary.

### Article 25.

Donors pay a contribution, the minimum level of which is set by a general members meeting.

### Article 26.

Expenses incurred on behalf of the board, and in the association interest, may be reimbursed upon submission of a claim.

# **FINAL PROVISIONS**

### Article 27.

Amendments and additions to these by-laws may be made through a proposal of the board or through a proposal of at least 17 members or so much less as a combined 1/10th of the members, by a general members meeting, with a 2/3 majority of the number of votes cast. A proposal for amendment shall be submitted for reading by the board for at least 14 days at a place indicated by it.