

The Australian and New Zealand Association for Research in Music Education (ANZARME)

CONSTITUTION

(as revised at the Annual General Meeting, 2012)

1. **Name:** The name of the organization is the **Australian and New Zealand Association for Research in Music Education** (ANZARME) hereafter named the Association.
2. **Objectives:** The objectives of the Association are:
 - (a) to promote communication between music education researchers and music educators;
 - (b) to contribute to the further development of music education research and music education;
 - (c) to encourage community support for music education research and music education;
 - (d) to bring to public attention issues vital to music education research and music education;
 - (e) to organise an annual conference;
 - (f) to issue publications as determined from time to time by the Council of the Association;
 - (g) to carry out any other activities that are consistent with the above objectives.
3. **Membership:** Membership of the Association is open to all persons interested in music education research, and is in the following categories:
 - (a) Ordinary member
 - (b) Student member
 - (c) Honorary life member (candidates for honorary life membership will be approved by a majority vote at a general meeting of members)
 - 3.1 Membership is effective for the current calendar year upon payment of the annual subscription for that year.
 - 3.2 The annual subscription shall be set at the Annual General Meeting prior to that in which it takes effect.
4. **Council:** There shall be a Council of the Association, elected annually at the Annual General Meeting. Membership of the Council shall be:
 - (a) President
 - (b) Immediate past-president
 - (c) Deputy president
 - (d) Secretary
 - (e) Treasurer
 - (f) A student representative, being a member of the Association enrolled either full-time or part-time in a higher degree research program in an aspect of music education.
 - (g) A minimum of three and maximum of seven ordinary members of Council elected at the Annual General Meeting
 - 4.1 The Council will appoint one or more of its members, or co-opt any other person, to carry out each of the following duties:
 - (a) Conference organiser

- (b) Editor of publications
- (c) Other duties that may from time to time need to be carried out

4.2 The Council shall:

- (a) have the power to appoint a member of the Association to fill any casual vacancy as may be required
- (b) meet as necessary throughout the year to organise the conference and attend to other business as required.
- (c) exercise such other powers and carry out other duties that are consistent with the association's objectives.
- (d) appoint an Executive Committee consisting of the President, Deputy President, Secretary, Treasurer and such other of its members as it determines, to exercise powers and carry out duties as required by the General Council.

5. Conduct of the Association:

5.1 The Council shall give fourteen days notice of any of the following:

- (a) the Annual General Meeting of the Association, which shall be held in conjunction with the annual conference.
- (b) any special meeting of the Association as deemed necessary by the Executive Committee and/or the Council, or by four or more members of the Association who request such a meeting in writing.

5.2 Minutes shall be kept of:

- (a) all Annual General Meetings of the Association
- (b) any special general meeting
- (c) each meeting of the Council and its committees

5.3 At each meeting of the Association and Council the minutes of the preceding meeting shall be confirmed, or amended and confirmed, and signed by the presiding chairman as confirmed.

5.4 Meetings of the Council or any of its committees may be held in person or by any other means of communicating as decided by the Council from time to time.

5.5 At all meetings of the Association, its Council and Executive Committee, any motions may be carried by consensus or, if requested by one or more of those present, by a simple majority of members present.

5.6 Notice of any changes to this constitution must be conveyed to members at least fourteen days prior to an Annual General Meeting, or a Special general meeting convened for the purpose, and carried by a two-thirds majority of those members present.

6. Winding up. The Association may be wound up by resolution at either an Annual General Meeting, or a General meeting specially called for that purpose. Any surplus assets after the satisfaction of all liabilities will be distributed among such organisations in Australia and New Zealand that have similar objects to the Association, and as the members present at the meeting will decide.

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Note: The name of the association was changed from the Association of Music Education Lecturers to Australian Association of Research in Music Education -AGM 27/09/1995. A further change was made to the present title – AGM 03 /07/2007.