



The following motions are to be tabled by the current committee at the AGM on Tuesday, 11th September 2007

Motion 1.

That the number of Ordinary or General Members on the committee of VARS be four.

That is: amend Section 20(3) Committee of Management as follows:

Delete section 20 (3) (b) two ordinary members

Insert section 20 (3) (b) four ordinary members

Rationale:

The current committee consists of 4 officers of the association : the President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary; and 2 Ordinary or General members – Total 6.

Due to the expected increase in the work load of the committee over the next year and the need to form several sub-committees to progress the work, having 8 on the committee would assist in more efficient management of VARS and reduce the workload on any one individual.

Motion 2.

To amend Section 20(1) by adding a sentence so that section 20(1) would now read:

(1) The affairs of the Association shall be managed by the committee of management. The Association represents the whole of the Victorian dive community; including the commercial dive industry sector, and the non-commercial sector, and such balance should be reflected in the makeup of the committee of management. The non-commercial sector includes both private and independent dive clubs, plus other private or unaffiliated divers not members of a dive club.

AND

To amend Section 20 by adding section 20 (4) :

[If the above proposal is passed i.e. 8 on the committee]

(4) Members elected onto the committee should be a balanced representation of the Victorian dive community, with a minimum of three who should come from the commercial dive industry sector and a minimum of three who should come from the non-commercial sector.

OR

[If the above proposal is not passed i.e. 6 on the committee]

(4) Members elected onto the committee should be a balanced representation of the Victorian dive community, with a minimum of two who should come from the commercial dive industry sector and a minimum of two who should come from the non-commercial sector.

Rationale:

VARS has adopted the 'Model Rules' for its Incorporation, with some alteration to Item 3: Membership, entry fees and subscriptions. VARS is representing both the Commercial Diving Group(s) and Private Diving Clubs and divers in its dealings with government and other organisations. It is important that the committee be seen as providing a balanced representation of both groups.