



The London School of Economics Alumni Association of Singapore

THE CONSTITUTION

Name

- 1 The name of the Association shall be The London School of Economics Alumni Association of Singapore.

Address

- 2 The place of business of the Association shall be "1, Marina Boulevard #28-00, One Marina Boulevard, c/o Allen & Gledhill LLP, Singapore 018989".

Objects

- 3 The objects of the Association are:-
 - a To assist in furthering the interests of the graduates/undergraduates of the London School of Economics in Singapore.
 - b To maintain and foster the bonds of friendship among graduates and past students of the School.
 - c To afford a means whereby they may be kept in touch with the School and its activities.
 - d To give information, advice and to render any other assistance to the students who intend proceeding to the School for further studies.
 - e To do all such other lawful things as are incidental and conducive to the attainment of the above objects.
 - f To provide a means by which skills and knowledge acquired by members as students of the L.S.E. can be channelled more effectively in the service of society.

Membership

- 4 Membership shall be as follows:
 - a **Ordinary Membership**
All graduates and past students of the School shall be eligible to apply for Ordinary Membership.
 - b **Associate Membership**
Persons who have not been at the School but wish to be associated with it shall be eligible to apply for Associate Membership. Associate Members may not vote or hold office in the Association.
 - c **Honorary Membership**
Persons distinguished by eminence in public life or service shall be eligible to be conferred Honorary Membership.

- 5 Application for Ordinary and Associate Membership should be made by written application addressed to the Honorary Secretary of the Association. These applications shall be submitted for consideration by the Committee at its following meeting.
- 6 Those wishing to apply for Associate Membership in the Association must be proposed and seconded by Ordinary Members of the Association.
- 7 Upon election to membership the Hon Secretary shall send to each newly elected member a notice thereof and a copy of these rules and regulations. Upon payment of his subscription, he shall immediately become a member.
- 8 A register of members shall be kept by the Hon Secretary on the premises of the Association.

Patrons

- 9 The Committee shall have the power to invite Persons who are Singapore citizens of great distinction and merit to be patrons of the Association.

Subscriptions

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 - a The entrance fee and two-year subscription shall be \$30 (thirty dollars) for Ordinary Members and \$50 (fifty dollars) for Associate Members respectively, and may only be varied by a general meeting of the members. Fee for the Lifetime Membership is set at S\$188.00. However, any graduates who apply within two years of their first graduation from the LSE, will only have to pay a special one-time fee of S\$100.00 for the Lifetime Membership.
 - b Membership will lapse in the event of the non-payment of annual subscription for 2 years in succession. Membership may however be reinstated upon re-application and approval by the Committee and on payment of all arrears of such part thereof as the Committee may require.
- 11 The Committee shall have the power to impose dues as and when deemed necessary.

Officers

- 12 There shall be a Committee consisting of the following:-
A President, three Vice-Presidents, an Honorary Secretary, an Assistant Honorary Secretary, an Honorary Treasurer, an Assistant Honorary Treasurer, a Honorary Webmaster, and at least two Committee Members.
- 13 These Officers shall be elected at the Annual General meeting.
- 14 All retiring Officers with the exception of the Hon Treasurer shall be eligible for re-election.
- 15 The Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancy arising in the Committee, to co-opt members to assist the Committee, and to appoint such committees as are necessary for the proper control of the Association.
- 16 The President shall chair all meetings, sign and stamp all important documents relating to the Association and represent the Association whenever necessary.
- 17 In the absence of the President, one of the vice-presidents shall assume all duties.
- 18 The Hon Secretary shall manage the affairs of the Association, convene all meetings, keep minutes of them and record all the resolutions.
- 19 The Hon Treasurer shall take charge and be responsible for all payments and receipts.

Whenever his cash in hand exceeds \$200, he shall pay the money into the Association's appointed Bank account.

- 20 All cheques shall besides being stamped with the Association's seal, shall bear the signatures of at least 2 of the following officers:
the President, the Honorary Treasurer and the Assistant Honorary Treasurer.
- 21 Any expenditure exceeding \$2000 may only be issued with the approval of the Committee, by a simple majority vote.

Meetings

- 22 a The Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held not later than 31 March each year to receive the Annual Report, and Accounts for the previous year and to elect Officers for the year. An audited Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet shall be presented to the members at each A.G.M. The members shall elect 1 or 2 members other than committee members to serve as Honorary Auditors for the accounts. These Honorary Auditors shall serve a maximum of two consecutive terms and shall not be eligible for re-election for a third.
- b Committee meetings shall be called at least once every quarter.
- c Extraordinary General Meetings shall be called whenever the Committee thinks fit or upon a requisition made in writing and signed by at least 10 members of the Association. Any requisition shall state the object for which the meetings is to be held.

Notice of Meetings

- 23 a 14 days' notice of A.G.M. and E.O.G.M. together with the provisional agenda shall be given to members by circular.
- b 7 days' notice shall be required for Committee Meetings.

Quorum

- 24 a Not less than one quarter of the voting members present shall constitute a quorum for General Meetings.
- b Not less than one half of the Committee Members present shall constitute a quorum for Committee Meetings.
- c Should there be no quorum present at a general meeting, the meeting shall be postponed to a date at least 7 days after the date on which it was to have taken place. The members present at such a meeting shall then constitute the quorum but they shall not have the power to amend this Constitution if the stipulated 1/4 quorum is not present.

Amendments

- 25 a No amendments of these rules shall be made except at the A.G.M or at an E.O.G.M. convened for such a purpose.
- b Such an amendment shall not come into force without the prior approval of the Registrar of Societies.

Dissolution

- 26 a The Association shall not be dissolved except with the consent of not less than 3/5th of the voting members of the Association for the time being resident in Singapore

expressed either in person or proxy at a General Meeting convened for the purpose, or by postal vote.

- b In the event of a dissolution as provided for above, all debts and liabilities legally incurred on behalf of the Association shall be fully discharged and the remaining funds shall be divided equally among the members on the register at that date.
- c Notice shall be given to the Registrar of Societies within 7 days of such dissolution.

Bye-Laws

- 27 a The Committee of the Association shall be empowered to frame such bye-laws from time to time as they may deem expedient.

Prohibitions

- 28 a The funds of the Association shall not be used to pay the fines of members who have been convicted in Court.
- b The Association shall not attempt to restrict or in any other manner interfere with trade or prices or engage in any Trade Union activity as defined in any written law relating to Trade Unions for the time in force in Singapore.
- c The Association shall not hold any lottery, whether confined to its members or not, in the name of the Association or its office bearers, Committee or members.
- d The Association shall not indulge in any political activity or allow its funds and/or premises to be used for political purposes.
- e "Funds raised through the sale of Lifetime Memberships are to be accounted for separately by the Hon. Treasurer. In any one year in office, the committee is not allowed to incur an annual spending from this account exceeding 10% of the total cumulative amount raised through the sale of Lifetime Memberships to date."