



Membership Policy

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Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to provide definitions of membership to the AAFIE Foundation (AAFIE) in order to ensure good governance standards expected under the Australian Charities and Non-for-profit Commission (ACNC) are met by providing clear accountability to members.

Policy Statement: That membership of the AAFIE are open to all educators, researchers, and policy makers who are aligned to AAFIE's fundamental belief – that all young people, regardless of postcode, have equal access to inclusive, positive future focused educational opportunities, specific to their needs.

Membership: The Constitution of the AAFIE Foundation outlines the governance around membership of the organisation, including the classes of members of the Company and the rights of the members such as voting rights, raising concerns or grievances and participating in governance. Classes of members include foundation member, financial member, and non-financial member.

Membership includes: The following lists what is included in the membership fees

- Full Website Access, including access to Members only portal – which includes the latest research and reports in the area of Flexible & Inclusive Education
- Discounted registration fees for the biennial Doing School Differently Conference
- Opportunities to connect with a growing network of professions who share your passion for providing Flexible & Inclusive educational opportunities for young people
- Opportunities to contribute to the knowledge base of Flexible and Inclusive educational practices
- Access to AAFIE Facebook page to share updates and events

Process: Admissions to membership are to be considered by the Board as soon as practicable and a register of Members will be kept by the EO and stored electronically.

Members are expected to notify AAFIE if any of their details have changed so that contact can be maintained.

Membership Fees: The following applies to membership fees and cancellation

- Membership fees are non-transferable and non-refundable.
- Membership categories and fees are subject to change at membership renewal time.
- Membership fees include GST.
- Membership fees can be paid in full or by monthly or quarterly instalments by credit card, direct debit or bank transfer.
- The membership period is from 1 July to 30 June of each year.
- Members who have a change in circumstance within the membership period may be eligible to alter their membership to a different membership category.

Scope/Applicable To: AAFIE Board directors, staff and volunteers and most specifically to AAFIE members and interested members.

Related Documents: AAFIE Constitution, Governance Policy, Complaints Policy, Privacy and Data Security Policy