

**Proposal 1: Use of Robert's Rules**

NEMWA meetings will be run using the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

**Proposal 2: Quorum**

Quorum will consist of the majority of NEMWA members in good standing.

**Proposal 3: E-mail voting**

If it becomes necessary that the membership make a decision and circumstances make it impractical to call a regular meeting, the President may submit a proposal for vote via e-mail. E-mail proposals must be sent to every NEMWA member in good standing that has provided an e-mail address for their representative. All e-mail proposals will include the date where the voting closes and in no case shall the vote close less than one week from the initiation of the e-mail proposal. E-mail votes will have the same quorum requirements as regular meetings.

**Proposal 4: Officer Spending Authority**

The Treasurer is authorized to reimburse the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Head Pairer, and Head Official for expenses directly associated with carrying out their official NEMWA duties. Individual purchases up to \$50.00 and cumulative purchases up to \$200.00 per year may be directly reimbursed by the Treasurer with no further approval, provided that a receipt has been submitted, the NEMWA purpose of the item is indicated on the receipt, and the purpose is consistent with the officer's responsibilities. Expenses over these amounts will require approval of the membership prior to reimbursement.

**Proposal 5: Decision-making hierarchy**

NEMWA rules can resolve many situations either by direct application of the rules, or by statement of who has authority in particular situations. Authorities specifically mentioned in the rules include tournament directors, officials, and coaches. Other authorities not specifically mentioned in the rules include the Head Pairer, Head Official, grievance committees and parents.

If a situation arises that needs immediate attention that the above authorities are not qualified, available, or able to handle, resolution will take place through NEMWA officers. Under these circumstances, all officers that can be contacted must be brought into the resolution process. The course of action will be that favored by the majority of the officers. In the case of a tie vote, the President will cast the deciding vote. If the president is not available, the Vice President will cast the deciding vote. At least two officers must agree for any course of action to proceed.

**Proposal 6: NEMWA Articles of Organization**

NEMWA adopt the document titled "NEMWA Articles of Organization" dated December 12, 2003 for its bylaws.