

## **Proposed Rules for AGM 14.06.2018**

### **RULES OF THE ANGLO-HELLENIC LEAGUE**

#### **NAME**

1. The name of the League shall be THE ANGLO-HELLENIC LEAGUE.

#### **OBJECTS**

2. The objects of the League which shall have no political character are:
  - (a) the advancement of knowledge of the science, art, literature, music, history, economics, philosophy, culture and way of life of Greece;
  - (b) the relief of poverty and hardship, with particular regard to people in Greece.

In furtherance of the above-mentioned objects the League may:

- (a) make charitable grants in support of its objects;
- (b) arrange lectures, classes, exhibitions, readings and concerts;
- (c) publish pamphlets and other publications;
- (d) provide scholarships.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

3. Membership of the League shall be open to any person or entity interested in supporting the objects of the League.
4. All individuals and corporate entities who wish to join the League shall be invited to submit a membership form and donate a sum of money, at their own discretion, in support of the League.

#### **HONORARY OFFICERS**

5. The League shall have a President and Patrons, to be elected by the Council. The President and the British Ambassador in Athens and the Greek Ambassador in London shall be invited ex officio to be Patrons.

#### **CONSTITUTION OF THE COUNCIL**

6. The management of the League shall be entrusted to a Council which shall consist of not fewer than four members who shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. All Council members shall be Trustees. The Council shall have the power to co-opt additional Members.
7. The Council shall elect from its own Members the Executive Officers who shall be a Chairman of the Council, a Vice-Chairman and a Treasurer.

8. The Council shall have the power to make rules for the conduct of its business and shall meet at least once a year. Three Members attending shall form a quorum.

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

9. An Annual General Meeting of the League shall be held in London on a date to be fixed by the Council for the purposes of:
  - (a) Receiving from the Council the Annual Report and Accounts;
  - (b) Electing Members of the Council.
10. Notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be sent, either by electronic means or by post within the United Kingdom, to every Member of the League at least 15 days before it is held.
11. Any Member shall be entitled to submit motions and to participate in discussions at General Meetings and shall be entitled to vote. Any motion must be made in writing and signed by the mover and a seconder. Notice of submission shall be sent to the Chairman of the Council at least seven days before the Meeting.
12. Nominations for election to the Council may be made by any Member of the League and must reach the Chairman at least seven days before the Annual General Meeting. Nominations must be in writing, signed by a proposer and a seconder and include an assurance that the candidate will serve if elected.
13. All elections at the Annual General Meeting and all motions shall be deemed to have been carried, if there be a majority of those present and voting except where the Rules of the League shall specify otherwise. The Chairman shall determine the method of voting and in the case of a tie have a casting vote.
14. The Chairman of the Council shall preside at the Annual General Meeting or in her or his absence the Vice-Chairman. Five members shall form a quorum.

### **EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**

15. An Extraordinary General Meeting shall be held:
  - (a) At the request of the Council at such time as it may determine.
  - (b) At the written request signed by not less than five Members of the League. Such meeting shall take place within five weeks of the receipt of the request by the Chairman. Five Members shall form a quorum.
  - (c) Notice of such Extraordinary General Meeting shall be sent, either by electronic means or by post within the United Kingdom, to every Member at least 15 days before it is held.

### **ALTERATION OF RULES**

16. These Rules, other than Rules 2 and 17 and this Rule, may be varied, deleted or added to by a resolution passed by a three-fourths majority of the Members of the League present in person or by proxy at an Extraordinary General Meeting convened for that purpose or at an Annual General Meeting and of which notice has been served to every Member

either by electronic means or by post within the United Kingdom, provided that no variations, deletions or additions shall be made at any time to these Rules so as to cause the League to cease to be a Charity in law.

### **DISSOLUTION**

- 17.** The dissolution of the League: may be effected only by a resolution passed by a three-fourths majority of the Members of the League present in person or by proxy at an Extraordinary General Meeting convened for that purpose and of which notice has been served to every Member either by electronic means or by post within the United Kingdom. If a motion to dissolve the League is carried by the said majority, the League's surplus funds, property and assets shall be disposed of to such charitable institutions or purposes (being institutions or purposes substantially similar to those of the League) as the Council shall decide.

*These proposed Rules will be submitted for approval to the Annual General Meeting on 14 June 2018.*