

8. MEMBERSHIP

(a) LIFE MEMBERS

- (i) The Life Members, as defined in the Constitution, shall be entitled to one vote per member at all Zone meetings of members of the Organization;
- (ii) A Life member shall pay a fee of \$25 on admission to membership, or a fee of \$25 shall have been paid on behalf of the member, but shall not be required to pay any further fees;
- (iii) When an OMERS pensioner who has not otherwise paid the fee for MROO life membership enrolls as a policy-holder in the MROO Health Insurance Plan, that person shall become a life member of MROO. \$25 for each such member shall be credited by the Treasurer to the Life membership fund in the year that the person becomes a policy-holder in the MROO Health Insurance Plan. The \$25 shall be transferred from revenues received by MROO for the administration and promotion of the MROO Health Insurance Plan.

(b) HONORARY MEMBERS

- (i) An honorary member is anyone who, in the determination of the Board of Directors, has made an outstanding contribution to OMERS pensioners or shown outstanding support on issues affecting seniors in Ontario generally and/or OMERS pensioners particularly.
- (ii) An honorary member shall have all rights and privileges of a life member, except that Honorary members who are not otherwise life members of MROO shall not be entitled to vote or to hold office.

(c) ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

- (i) Associate Member pending retirement, enrolled in the OMERS Plan
- (ii) A class of Associate member shall be created which contains persons who are employees of an OMERS employer and who are enrolled in the OMERS Pension Plan but who are not yet in receipt of an OMERS pension.

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- (iii) To become an associate member in this class the person shall have paid the membership admission fee applicable to life members, or the membership admission fee shall have been paid on behalf of the person.
 - (iv) When an associate member in this class begins to receive an OMERS pension, the associate member shall become a Life Member without further payment of a membership admission fee.
 - (v) When a person who is an employee of an OMERS employer and enrolled in the OMERS Plan has not otherwise paid the MROO membership admission fee but enrolls as a policy-holder in the MROO Health Insurance Plan, that person shall become an Associate Member of MROO in this class. Section 9) a) iii) shall apply with respect to the membership admission fee of that associate member.
 - (vi) Associate members of this class shall have all the rights and benefits of life membership, except the right to vote or to hold office.
- (d) AFFILIATE MEMBERS
- (i) A retiree from an "other public sector employer" of the type listed in paragraph iii) below, who is not in receipt of an OMERS pension, is eligible to become an affiliate member.
 - (ii) An active employee of an "other public sector employer" of the type listed in paragraph iii) below, who is not enrolled in the OMERS Pension Plan, is eligible to become an affiliate member, provided that he/she is at least 65 years of age.
 - (iii) For the purposes of this By-law, an "other public sector employer" shall mean a government organization, or an organization which is primarily funded by government, in the fields of health care, education including post-secondary education, public utilities and electricity, public transportation, child care, or care for senior citizens.
 - (iv) An affiliate member shall be deemed to have paid the membership admission fee if he/she has enrolled as a policy-holder in the MROO Health Insurance Plan.
 - (v) Affiliate members shall be eligible to enroll in the MROO Health Insurance Plan, but shall otherwise have none of the rights and privileges of a Life Member.