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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE ACT 1992

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE (MEETINGS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2022

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 37 of the National Council of Social Service Act 1992, the National Council of Social Service, with the approval of the Minister for Social and Family Development, makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the National Council of Social Service (Meetings) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 and come into operation on 5 April 2022.

Amendment of regulation 2

2. Regulation 2(3) of the National Council of Social Service (Meetings) Regulations (Rg 1) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended by deleting the words “3 days” and substituting the words “14 days”.

Amendment of regulation 7

3. Regulation 7 of the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by deleting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (1)(b)(ii);

(b) by inserting the word “and” at the end of sub-paragraph (iii) of paragraph (1)(b), and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraph:

“(iv) the nomination form must be signed by a seconder who is the first key officer of any other Council member (except the nominee);”;

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- (c) by deleting the words “14 days” in paragraph (1)(c) and substituting the words “28 days”;
- (d) by inserting, immediately after the words “by post” in paragraph (1)(d), the words “or email”;
- (e) by deleting the words “affixed on the notice board in a conspicuous place at the registered office of the Council” in paragraph (1)(e) and substituting the words “published on the Council’s website or any electronic equivalent platform”;
- (f) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (4), the following paragraph:
- “(4A) For the nomination for each position specified in paragraph (2), (3) or (4) —
- (a) where the Council member is registered under the Societies Act 1966 or established by or under any written law, the nominee must be a committee member of the Council member; or
- (b) where the Council member is incorporated under the Companies Act 1967, the nominee must be a director in the Council member’s board of directors.”; and
- (g) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “correction deadline” in paragraph (10), the following definition:
- ““Council’s website” means the website at <https://www.ncss.gov.sg>”.

Amendment of regulation 9

4. Regulation 9 of the principal Regulations is amended by renumbering the regulation as paragraph (1) of that regulation, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:

“(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1), meetings may be convened, held or conducted, whether wholly or partly, by electronic means.”.

Amendment of regulation 13

5. Regulation 13 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(1) Where the Board is required to pass a resolution urgently but it is not practicable to convene a meeting of the Board for that purpose, the President may send to all Board members a copy of the proposed resolution in writing by way of post, delivery or electronic communication, and the resolution may be assented to by the Board members in the manner provided in that document.”.

Miscellaneous amendments for Part III

6. Part III of the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by deleting the word “Chairman” in the following provisions and substituting in each case the word “Chairperson”:

Regulations 14 and 16(1); and

(b) by deleting the word “Vice-Chairmen” in regulation 16(1) and substituting the word “Vice-Chairpersons”.

Amendment of regulation 14

7. Regulation 14 of the principal Regulations is amended by renumbering the regulation as paragraph (1) of that regulation, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:

“(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1), meetings may be convened, held or conducted, whether wholly or partly, by electronic means.”.

Deletion and substitution of regulation 17

8. Regulation 17 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

“Secretary of Community Chest

17. The Chairperson may appoint any member of the Community Chest to be the Secretary of the Community Chest.”.

New regulation 19A

9. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 19 in Part III, the following regulation:

“Assent to resolution without meeting

19A.—(1) Where the Community Chest is required to pass a resolution urgently but it is not practicable to convene a meeting of the Community Chest for that purpose, the Chairperson may send to all members of the Community Chest a copy of the proposed resolution in writing by way of post, delivery or electronic communication, and the resolution may be assented to by the members of the Community Chest in the manner provided in that document.

(2) A resolution referred to in paragraph (1) which has been assented to by a simple majority of the members of the Community Chest entitled to vote at a meeting of the Community Chest is as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Community Chest duly called and held.”.

Miscellaneous amendments for Part IV

10. Part IV of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the word “chairman” in the following provisions and substituting in each case the word “chairperson”:

Regulations 20 and 22(1) and (2).

New regulation 24

11. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 23, the following regulation:

“Assent to resolution without meeting

24.—(1) Where a committee appointed under section 14(1) of the Act is required to pass a resolution urgently but it is not practicable to convene a meeting of the committee for that purpose, the chairperson of the committee may send to all members of the committee a copy of the proposed resolution in writing by way of post, delivery or electronic communication, and the resolution may be assented to by the members of the committee in the manner provided in that document.

(2) A resolution referred to in paragraph (1) which has been assented to by a simple majority of the members of the committee entitled to vote at a meeting of the committee is as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the committee duly called and held.”.

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