

Motion for the Determination of Membership Fees for 2022/23

The Management Committee propose that the New Zealand Branch Service Fee for 2022/23 for an Adult Single Member be \$55. The Society Subscription (expressed in pounds) will be that set by the Society at its AGM in November 2021, the Management Committee will determine in July 2022 what that amount will be when converted into NZ\$. This will be a close conversion, the movement in the exchange rate between July 2022 and when the funds are remitted to the Society (in late September or early October 2022) will be managed through the Subscriptions bank account.

The fees for other membership categories will be calculated as per the table below:

Membership Category	Branch Service Fee	\$
Adult Single	100%	\$55
Adult Single Email	100% - \$10	\$45
* Adult Joint (per person)	80%	\$44
** Adult Joint Email (per person)	80% - \$5	\$39
Young Adult (18-24)	80% - \$10	\$34
Young Adult (18-24) Email	80% - \$20	\$24
*** Half Year	50%	\$27
RSCDS Life Member	100%	\$55
RSCDS Life Email	100% - \$10	\$45

* Only one Joint Member may be registered in association with any other Joint or fee paying Member in a household. Both should be registered as Adult Joint

** Both members should be registered as Adult Joint Email, only one will receive publications sent by email

*** Half Year membership is available to new members joining after 1 January 2022. The fee is 50% of the fee for Adult Single membership for the relevant membership year. It is not available to lapsed members re-joining.



Proposed by: Quentin Currall (Treasurer)

Date: 31/8/21



Seconded by: Lee Miller

Date: 31/8/21

Rationale:

We are again setting the Membership Fees for a period starting well into the future at a time of uncertainty. As was done for 2020/21, the Management Committee are able to "waive" part of the Branch fee and will do this if it is appropriate.

Setting the Branch Fee specifically is a change in method, it allows the Branch to know what the likely income will be in the future and gives clarity at the time of approval about how much will be going to the Branch. It will also give the Membership a clearer view of future Branch income and what their priorities are for its use.

In July the Management Committee will determine a close approximation of the RSCDS Subscription figure when converted into NZ\$. The Subscriptions Fund will be used to manage any movements in the exchange rate between then and the funds being sent to HQ. "Overs and unders" will be adjusted the following year. Thus Members will pay each year an amount close to that that they would pay if they paid their subscription directly to HQ.

At the Society AGM held on 6 November 2021 a Motion to increase the Adult Single Subscription to £25 was passed (this is an increase from £18 which was a short-term decrease from £20). The initial indicative figures provided, based on the £18, have therefore been revised (using the exchange rate at 20 November of 0.519) and are as follows:

Membership Category	Branch Fee \$	RSCDS Sub £	RSCDS Sub \$	Combined Fee and Sub
Adult Single	\$55	£25	\$48	\$103
Adult Single Email	\$45	£25	\$48	\$93
Adult Joint (per person)	\$44	£20	\$39	\$83
Adult Joint Email (per person)	\$39	£20	\$39	\$78
Young Adult (18-24)	\$34	£20	\$39	\$73
Young Adult (18-24) Email	\$24	£20	\$39	\$63
Half Year	\$27	£12.50	\$24	\$51
RSCDS Life Member	\$55			\$55
RSCDS Life Email	\$45			\$45

This illustrates the importance of setting the Branch Fee independently – being committed a year out to a decrease in Branch income of \$13 per member because of a change in Society Subscriptions would be difficult for Branch decision making.

Determination of Expenses

Honoraria and Payments for Management Committee position holders

Part A Honoraria

It is proposed that the person holding the following position at the commencement of the AGM be entitled to an annual honorarium in recognition of the time and effort involved in undertaking this role:

(a) RSCDS NZ Branch Treasurer	\$1,000
(b) RSCDS NZ Branch Secretary	\$1,000

Acceptance of this part of the Notice of Motion applies for the current financial year (1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022) and is reflected in the budget tabled for approval at this meeting.

Part B Management Committee Expenses for Summer Meetings and AGM for the 2023 Financial Year

It is further proposed that Summer School fee at the non-dancing rate (exclusive of any single occupancy supplement or other optional surcharges) be available for the following positions:

- (a) RSCDS NZ Branch President
- (b) RSCDS NZ Branch Vice President
- (c) RSCDS NZ Branch Treasurer
- (d) RSCDS NZ Branch Secretary
- (e) Communications, Publicity and Membership Coordinator
- (f) Education and Training Coordinator
- (g) Information Technology Coordinator
- (h) Youth Coordinator

Acceptance of this part of the Notice of Motion applies for the next financial year (1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023) and will be reflected in the budget tabled for approval at the next Annual General Meeting (expected to be 1 January 2023).



Proposed by: Quentin Currall (Treasurer)

Date: 31/8//21



Seconded by: Katharine Hoskyn

Date: 31/8/21

Rationale:

Part A.

It has been a standard practice of New Zealand Branch for some years to recognise the significant contribution made by the Treasurer and Secretary by allowing for annual honoraria.

The Review of Payments conducted by the Branch in 2016 concluded that these two payments are appropriate and are not out of line with other voluntary organisations of a similar nature. The amount of each Honorarium has not changed since the 2016 review.

Part B.

The Branch, like the rest of the world, is in a state of change and different ways of working are creating opportunities for different ways of meeting and working. While the committee meetings mentioned in this rationale could be held differently when the time comes, this Notice of Motion retains for the 2022/23 School authorisation to reimburse in the same way as in recent years. While the Branch is adapting to the changed world, for the next Summer School the current practices are still relevant and especially needed as the Branch identifies what processes and practices are needed for the changed world.

Management Committee members are expected to attend committee meetings from 27 December to 2 January, and the AGM. An additional meeting can also be scheduled on 3 January for business carried over from prior meetings. They are also expected to be available to interact with members and to attend evening functions over the course of the School

Many roles on the Committee have additional commitments during the School, including interaction with and support of Summer School organisers, finalising arrangements for AGM, meeting with co-ordinators of branch activities such as shops, preparation for upcoming meetings and identification of future concerns of Branch members which often only become apparent through serendipitous interaction that occurs at Summer School.

The 2016 Review of Payments recommended that the Management Committee present for approval at the AGM a recommendation as to who is entitled to have all/part of their Summer School accommodation paid. The recommendation since has been that all Management Committee members are entitled to have their accommodation (ie the non-dancing Summer School fee) paid.

By approving expenditure for accommodation and meals for the 2022/23 Summer School now, Management Committee members will have certainty about the expenses they will personally incur in attending Committee meetings over the 2022/23 summer period.

The key rationale for this motion is founded on the value that can be obtained through face-to-face interaction – within Management Committee and between Management Committee and branch members. With reduced opportunity to interact during the year, face-to-face interaction at events such as Summer School is perhaps more important at this and the 2022/23 school than it has even been.

Notice of Motion

Honoraria and Payments for Non-Management Committee position holders

The Management Committee propose that the person holding the following positions at the commencement of the AGM be entitled to claim annual honoraria in recognition of the time and effort involved in undertaking this role.

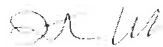
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| (a) The RSCDS NZ Branch Editor | \$600 |
| (b) The RSCDS NZ Branch Shop Keeper | \$800 |

The Honorarium to the Shopkeeper being payable from accumulated assets of the respective shop, but by the Branch if the shop has insufficient accumulated assets.

The Management Committee further propose that Summer School fee at the non-dancing rate be paid for the position of RSCDS NZ Branch Shop Keeper.

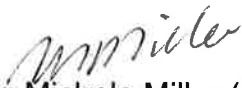
This fee to be payable from accumulated assets of the respective shop, but by the Branch if the shop has insufficient accumulated assets.

Acceptance of this Notice of Motion applies for the current financial year (1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022).



Proposed by: Quentin Currall (Treasurer)

Date 31/8/21



Seconded by: Michele Miller (Secretary)

Date: 31/8/21


Rationale:

There is standing practise that Branch appointees who undertake significant service to the Branch be recognised through the availability of Honoraria. Further where attendance at Summer School is necessary to carry out the role that the costs of attendance do not fall on the individual.

Notice of Motion Presidents Travel Budget

The Management Committee propose that a provision is made in the budget of \$1,500 to fund travel and where necessary, accommodation, within New Zealand for the Branch President. The fund is to be used when the President is travelling to the Regions to further the aims of the Branch.

Acceptance of this Notice of Motion applies for the President's year of serving (1 January to 31 December 2022).



Proposed by: Quentin Currall (Treasurer)

Date: 31/8/21



Seconded by: Michele Miller (Secretary)

Date: 31/8/21

Rationale:

For the President to engage with the wider dancing community they need to be able to attend dancing functions and schools across the regions during the year. The budget allowance is the maximum that will be spent on this activity during the year, with only actual costs up to this amount being expensed.