

## **Rule Changes: Annual Meeting 2011**

**Below are the resolutions from Branches / Aronui Tomua / Komiti Pasifika/ Area Councils and the National Executive that have been approved for inclusion on the agenda of Annual Meeting 2011.**

### **4.1.4 Order of Election**

That the order of elections as stated in 4.1.4.1 be amended so that the sector groups' elections precede the general membership group election:  
ie the current (c) becomes (d) and (d) becomes (c).

*Argument:*

*We want the best available people on National Executive.*

*The best candidate will be elected.*

*We then select the best general candidate from the remaining list.*

*When sector representatives are elected first the sector gets their best candidate.*

*Currently the sector may end up with a sector representative whom the sector has less confidence in, simply because the preferred person is no longer available.*

*Auckland Branch*

### **5.1.1 Composition of Meeting**

That 5.1.1 be amended by the addition of a new clause (e) :

- (e) Student teacher members who are active in their branches may be appointed as representatives to Annual Meeting by their branch.

*Argument:*

*1. In our endeavours to build and grow our union it is essential to include and encourage our student teacher members in all activities.*

*2. Student teachers who attend YMN Hui and network meetings are eager to participate in the wider union activities – and are encouraged to do so.*

*3. Student teacher members consider themselves to be full members.*

*4. With many more teacher training facilities spread throughout our regions our Area Councils may well find that student teacher representation being limited to 2 members is not truly representative of that membership in the area.*

*North Shore Branch*

## **6.14 Special Purposes Fund**

That in sections 6.14, 6.14.1 and 6.14.3 of the Rules of NZEI Te Riu Roa all references to the words “ Special Purposes Fund” be deleted and replaced with the words “NZEI Te Riu Roa Reserves Fund”.

That section 6.14.2 of the Rules of NZEI Te Riu Roa be deleted.

Argument:

*The Special Purposes Fund was established in 1970 at a time when primary teachers and principals were engaged in prolonged negotiations over conditions of service and the reserve funds of NZEI to fund such a campaign were very limited. The fund was built up through a levy on member’s subscriptions ( ref. current rule 6.14.2) and in more recent times through the transfer of any NZEI financial surpluses at year’s end.*

*The term “Special Purposes” no longer carries the clarity of definition it may have when the fund was first established. The National Executive believes that the term “NZEI Te Riu Roa Reserves Fund” reflects more accurately how the fund can be used to support NZEI Te Riu Roa activity and strategic initiatives.*

*National Executive*