at least seven (7) years. Life members may attend and speak at meetings of the Association but shall not be entitled to vote on any issue unless they are also eligible for membership under Clause 5.

FINANCE

6. The finances of the Federation are raised through the school system as a charge to parents on the term school fees as is currently

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- 32. In addition to the Annual General Meeting there shall be in each year at least two general meetings.
- 33. Any such general meetings shall have power to give directions to the Council as to the conduct and management of the business of the Federation and the use of its funds.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

- 34. (a) The Council may whenever it thinks fit convene a Special General Meeting.
 - (b) The Council shall, at the request in writing of not less than ten (10) of the member associations, convene a Special General Meeting.
 - (c) Each delegate of a member Association has the right to attend a Special General Meeting.
 - (d) If a delegate of a member Association is unable to attend a Special General Meeting, a substitute delegate may be designated in accordance with the provisions of clause 16.
 - (e) No other business shall be conducted at a Special General Meeting other than that specified in the notice concerning the Special General Meeting.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

35. At least twenty-eight (28) days notice must be given to all member associations of the Annual General Meeting and all meetings of delegates, including Special General Meetings. Notice may be sent by post and forwarded in sufficient time in the normal course of the mail to reach member associations at least twenty-eight (28) days

- "Catholic Education" means the process of education (a) which aims at the formation of the whole person in accordance with the beliefs, teachings, traditions and practices of the Catholic Church.
- (b) "Parents and Friends Associations and PEG" means individual school Associations and Parent Engagement Groups within the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle which have been established to represent all parents and friends of students in Catholic Schools in the said Diocese, and is acknowledged as such by the Diocesan Bishop.
- "CIC" means the Code of Canon Law (Codex Iuris Canonici) (c) promulgated by Pope John Paul II on 25

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DIRECTIONS TO RETURNING OFFICER

1) Election for the position of President shall

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the returning officer shall proceed with the election notwithstanding that this quota will not be met and shall declare elected to the remaining positions the candidates polling the highest number of votes whose election has not already been declared.

iv) By reason the candidate polling an equal number of votes so that the inclusion of such candidates would exceed the appropriate number to be