

2. Application and Continuing Membership Policy

Objective: To set some basic ground rules for membership requirement in the MRWCC.

Context: By Board decision the MRWCC does not assess membership fees. The MRWCC seeks to be as inclusive as possible, while at the same time establishing that there is an obligation to general membership

Responsibility: MRWCC Board of Directors

Statement of Policy:

1. Application - see membership form on website

2. Term - The membership year coincides with the Fiscal Year and runs from April 1 to March 31.

3. Continuing Membership

It is very important to maintain accurate and up-to-date membership records. It is the responsibility of each member to ensure that their membership is maintained in good standing. There are several means to maintain membership is in good standing. Membership is confirmed by doing one or more of the following;

3.1 "Members are to advise the MRWCC annually of the names, mailing addresses, telephone number, e-mail addresses and occupation/title (as the case may be) of its primary and alternate representative" or

3.2 Respond to a letter or e-mail from the MRWCC requesting confirmation, or

3.3 Attend a community forum in the previous membership year (don't forget to make sure you register at each Forum you attend), or

3.4 Attend any other Special Meeting that may be called in the previous year, or

3.5 Make one or more voluntary in-kind or financial contributions to the MRWCC, or

3.6 Provide a response to the Annual Member Satisfaction Survey, or

3.7 Actively participate on a MRWCC Project Team in the previous membership year, or

3.8 Actively participate on one of the MRWCC Teams or Committees

In February and March of each year MRWCC staff will conduct a review of all available information to establish the membership roster for the following year. If none of the listed conditions have been met, a letter or e-mail may be sent requesting confirmation of membership. If such a request is unanswered then membership will lapse. Enlisting any of the given means may restore lapsed membership. **Note that it is the member's responsibility to confirm membership in good standing.**

4. Membership Withdrawal

Membership in the MRWCC can lapse, be withdrawn or terminated for the following reasons;

4.1 A Member may withdraw from membership upon giving notice in writing to the MRWCC of its intention to withdraw from membership and shall cease to be a member upon the date received. or

4.2 The Board may, by two-thirds majority vote, revoke a membership for cause. (MRWCC's bylaws), or

4.3 None of the given conditions for membership are met for a one-year period, or

4.4 Three or more e-mails (member's last known address) are returned as undeliverable to the MRWCC, or

4.5 One or more letters (member's last known address) are returned as undeliverable to the MRWCC.

5. MRWCC acknowledges that the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act applies to all information and records provided by the Members to the MRWCC and to any information and records which are in the custody or under the control of the MRWCC.

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