

Perth Film Study Group

CONSTITUTION

1. NAME

The Organisation will be known as **Perth Film Study Group** hereinafter referred to as the Study Group.

2. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Study Group are:

The presentation, study, discussion, of films that relate to a better understanding and appreciation of capitalist ideals including: free speech; free market economics; constructive and creative thinking; individual rights and their defenders; science, technology, and invention; the history of western philosophy; the lives and works of “creative heroes” (eg. Scientists, Entrepreneurs, Artists, Inventors, etc.)

Showing of films will usually be accompanied by chaired discussions or debates or with an invited guest speaker. Films screened and studied will be from the approved Film Study Group Collection.

3. MEMBERSHIP

Membership will be open to any member of the public who is sympathetic and supportive of the **Perth Film Study Group’s** objectives. The membership annual subscription is as recommended by the committee from time to time and endorsed by the Study Group at a General Meeting.

4. MANAGEMENT

4.1 The management of the Study Group rests with a committee consisting of up to 5 members including a President, Secretary and Treasurer and such other officers as may be appointed from time to time by the members of the Study Group.

4.2 A quorum of the committee consists of at least two members of the committee, and 2 regular members.

4.3 The committee will henceforth be elected at the Annual General Meeting and will hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting following their appointment.

5. FINANCE

5.1 The Treasurer will present prior to or at the Annual General Meeting of the Study Group a statement of the financial affairs of the Study Group since the previous Annual General Meeting, which shall have been audited by some qualified person who is not a member of the committee.

5.2 The Study Group will be non-profit-making and any balance at the end of the year shall be carried forward to furthering the objects of the Study Group.

5.3 The officers and members of the committee shall not receive payment either direct or indirect for their services or for other than legitimate expenses incurred in their work on behalf of the Study Group.

6. GENERAL MEETINGS

6.1 An Annual General Meeting will be held each year on **International Capitalism Day** (the first Sunday of June) or within a month either before or after that date. Notice of the meeting shall be in writing (email notification is acceptable) and circulated to all financial members at least 14 days prior to the date of the meeting.

6.2 The purpose of the Annual General Meeting will be to receive a report of the activities of the Study Group since the last Annual General Meeting and to elect the management committee for the next financial year.

6.3 A Special General Meeting may be called at any time by the committee or upon a request in writing being made to the Secretary and signed by at least 5 financial members of the Study Group stating the nature of the business to be considered.

6.4 The Secretary shall give at least 14 days notice of a Special General Meeting to all financial members of the Study Group. The notice shall be in writing and state the nature of the business to be considered.

6.5 The quorum for any General Meeting shall be 5 financial members.

7. CONSTITUTION

No alteration to the Constitution may be made except at the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting of the Study Group, provided that any proposed alteration will have been circulated in writing to all financial members at least one month prior to the meeting and that the proposals shall be supported by a simple majority of the financial members present at the meeting.

8. DISPUTES

In the event of a dispute that cannot be resolved within 14 days a person acceptable to all of the disputing parties shall be nominated to act as a mediator.

9. WINDING UP

The Study Group will not be wound up except by resolution of three quarters of those members present at a Special General Meeting called for the purpose. In the event of the winding up of the Study Group the remaining assets and funds shall not be distributed amongst members of the Study Group, but shall be devoted to objects similar to those of the Study Group and approved by the majority of members present at the SGM.

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