



Constitutional Reform & Impact On Elected Positions

Important information regarding elections to be held during the 2009 Churches of Christ in Queensland Annual Meeting

Over the last few years, the Churches and Agencies have been actively discussing the future directions of our Church here in Queensland. A major result of these discussions is a brand new constitution for the CofCQld, which will be voted on at the November 2009 CofCQld Annual Meeting.

The table below illustrates the effect that the new constitution would have on elected positions.

Please note that if the proposed new constitution is agreed to at the 2009 Annual Meeting, then it is proposed that the new constitution will come in to effect 1st January 2010 (the vote on the new constitution will occur at the Annual Meeting before the meeting undertakes election voting). The motion being voted on specifically notes that if the new constitution is accepted, then those elected to positions at this years Annual meeting will take up their positions 1st January 2010, with the Council and Agency Boards in place before the 2009 Annual Meeting to continue on until 31st December 2009.

The proposed new constitution, along with supporting documentation, is available from your local church secretary or via the CofCQld's leaderlink website at www.cofcql.com.au .Questions about elections ? Then please don't hesitate to contact Steve Slade or Andrea Cannon on admin@cofcql.com.au or T: 3327 1661. If Steve or Andrea cannot answer your inquiry, they will direct you to the right person who will gladly answer any questions that you may have.

<u>Elected Position(s)</u>	<u>If the current constitution is retained</u>	<u>If the new constitution is accepted</u>
Conference Council	Up to 10 positions on Conference Council are open for election, providing suitable nominations are received.	Up to 10 positions on Conference Council are open for election, providing suitable nominations are received. Under the new constitution, Council has a greatly enhanced governance mandate.
Conference President	An election for Conference President will be held at the Annual Meeting, providing a suitable nomination is received.	As the Chair of Conference Council is recognised as Conference President, there will not be an election for Conference President at the 2009 Annual Meeting.
Agency Boards	An election for the various Agency Boards will be held at the Annual Meeting.	As all Agency Boards are to be replaced by a single appointed Board, there will not be any elections to Agency Boards at the 2009 Annual Meeting. However, the 2009 nomination form includes the option for a nominee to indicate whether they would like to be considered for the 'new' Board when Council appoints same. Also, it is proposed that various advisory committees may be established by senior staff in the new structure, including committees similar in focus to the current Women's Ministry board, GMP (Qld) board, and the Historical Committee. Therefore the nomination form also includes the option for a nominee to indicate whether they would like to be considered for any such committees.

Refer to the Churches of Christ in Queensland's leader's resource website (called the 'LeaderLink') for more information and all forms mentioned in this Information Sheet: www.cofcql.com.au