

## VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE SERVICES ASSOCIATION of WA (Inc)

2025 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES
ASSOCIATION OF WA (INC)

## **Notice of Motion:**

## Motion

"Members who constitute at least 25% of all voting members shall constitute a quorum for all Annual General Meetings and Special General Meetings."

- At the Executive Committee meeting held on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> of May 2025, The Executive Committee moved a motion that the above motion be presented to the members at the 2025 Annual General Meeting.
- THE CONSTITUTION OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES ASSOCIATION OF WA (INC) 2023, 89. P.15 reads: Members who constitute at least fifty per cent (50%) of all voting members shall constitute a quorum for all Annual General Meetings and Special General Meetings be changed to: Members who constitute at least 25% of all voting members shall constitute a quorum for all Annual General Meetings and Special General Meetings.
- Discussion has been held over the past few years at Executive Committee
  meetings that the Executive Committee is concerned that as the landscape of
  conferences which were originally a time where all members were able to meet
  for the purpose of an AGM has changed.
- In 2023 the constitution was updated to allow online attendance at AGM and SGM meetings. Even with this constitution update the Association still had to use many proxies to ensure a quorum was present to be able to remain compliant with conducting compliant and legal AGM and SGM of the Association.

- The Association believe the reduction of the quorum to 25% of all voting members aligns with current best practices within the Associations Incorporations Act 2015 which itself is not prescriptive in the percentage of members to form a quorum.
- 25% of all voting members has been recommended to allow ease of legislative compliance while ensuring our members have a fair and reasonable voice in matters related their Association.

Tim Sonsee

**Executive Officer** 

Volunteer Fire and Rescue Services Association WA Inc.