

The Constitution of the Sydney Christadelphian Young People

As adopted by the SCYP Committee 2021

1. Name

The youth group shall be known as the “Sydney Christadelphian Young People” (SCYP).

2. Aim

- a) To foster a community of Christadelphian young people, aged 13 to 30 (inclusive), in the Sydney area through the provision of spiritual, outreach and social activities.
- b) All activities of the SCYP shall be for the furtherance of the spiritual well-being of all young people in its scope.
- c) The basic scope of activities shall include:
 - i) A monthly class with a spiritual focus
 - ii) A monthly activity with a social and/or outreach focus
 - iii) Camps

3. Auspices

The organization of activities is to be conducted by a Committee functioning under the auspices of the NSW Christadelphian Committee (NCC).

4. Committee

- a) Each local NCC Ecclesia may appoint, with the approval of its arranging body, up to two delegates to the Committee.
- b) Ideally, delegates should be between 17 and 30 years of age, with at least one delegate from each ecclesia being a baptised member.
- c) In addition to delegates, the committee can include role bearers as outlined in sections 5 & 7 (the committee must elect a secretary and treasurer who may or may not be delegates).

5. Elections

- a) Elections for role bearers shall be held annually at the committee meeting held in October.
- b) Roles to be filled are: Secretary and Treasurer, and other roles as needed (see the SCYP Guidelines).
 - i) Ideally, the Secretary should be a baptised member of a Christadelphian Ecclesia.
- c) Ideally, roles should be filled by young people between 17 and 30 years of age who regularly attend SCYP. These young people may or may not be delegates.
- d) Young people are able to self-nominate to fill a role or may be nominated by others with the nominee’s consent.
- e) The election of role bearers shall be by majority vote of the delegates. All voting shall be performed by secret ballot.
- f) The handover of roles is finalised at the conclusion of the December events.

- i) It is intended that the incoming role bearers be highly involved in the planning of the following year's program once elected.
- g) Should a casual vacancy arise, nominations can be received at any time. Voting shall occur at the next committee meeting as per 7(e).

6. Hosting

- a) Two Committee Advisors and two Assistant Committee Advisors shall be appointed by the NCC, as per the SCYP Guidelines.
- b) Each Ecclesia shall nominate Hosts to attend SCYP events, as per the SCYP Guidelines.
- c) Committee Advisors, Assistant Committee Advisors and Hosts must have passed government-approved child safety checks.

7. Meetings

- a) Committee meetings shall be held at least 8 times per year.
- b) An agenda shall be prepared and followed for each meeting with minutes recorded and sent to the NCC.
- c) Each delegate shall have one vote.
- d) Any committee member may put forward a motion which must then be seconded before being put to a vote. Adoption of motions shall be by majority vote of delegates.
- e) A motion may be held over for voting only until the next meeting, if any delegates wish to ascertain the feelings of the group(s) they represent.
- f) In the event of an Ecclesia, which has appointed delegates to the Committee, being without representation and without apologies expressed, the Secretary should communicate with that ecclesia informing it of its lack of representation.

8. Finance

- a) The activities of the SCYP shall be self-funded and supplemented by donations from affiliated Ecclesias.
- b) Requests for donations shall be sent to affiliated Ecclesias by the Secretary, with the consent of the Committee, as needs arise.
- c) SCYP is a not-for-profit organisation. The assets and income of the organisation shall be applied in the furtherance of the aims described in section 2.

9. Standards

- a) The SCYP have a responsibility to reflect the character of Jesus Christ. All behaviour and actions should be in accordance with this.
- b) All Hosts, Committee members and attendees are expected to abide by the SCYP Code of Conduct found in the SCYP Guidelines.

10. Changes to Constitution

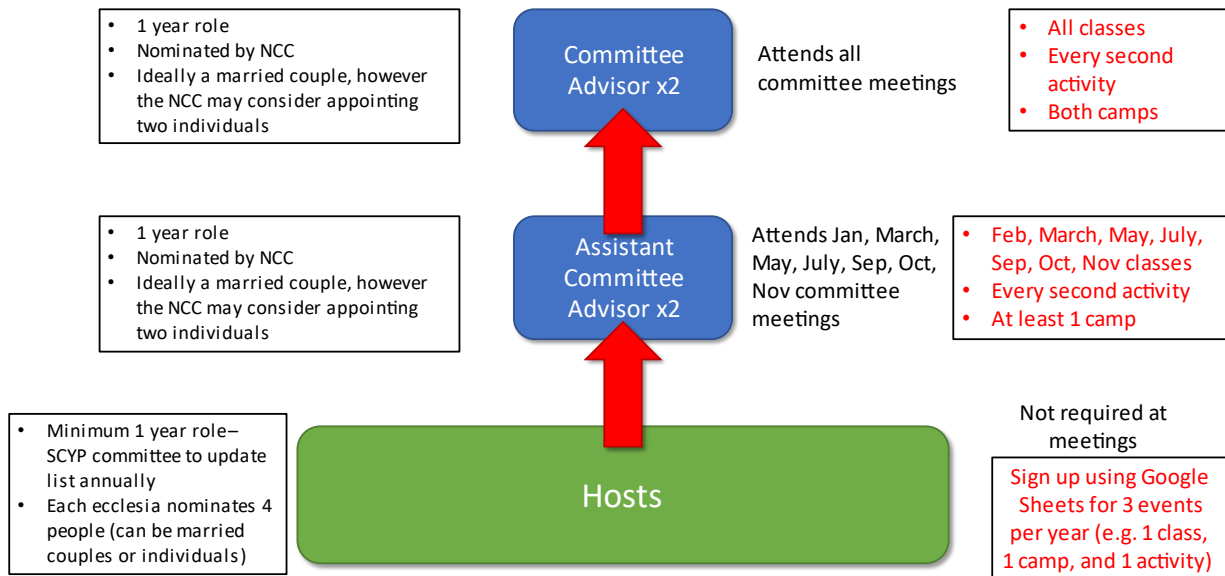
- a) Proposed alterations to the constitution must be submitted to the Secretary in writing with the signatures of delegates from at least three ecclesias four weeks before the meeting at which the alterations will be discussed.

- b) The secretary shall inform all delegates of the proposals.
- c) Voting shall be in accordance with Section 7 and alteration ratified by the NCC.

11. Dissolution

- a) In the event that SCYP is dissolved, the funds and assets of SCYP shall be transferred to the NCC.

SCYP Hosting Structure v. 2



As endorsed by the NCC Committee Meeting held on 23 November 2021