

Statute of The Daniel Delicata Memorial Association

Article 1.

The name of the Association shall be The Daniel Delicata Memorial Association.

Article 2.

The address of the Association shall be 'Gloriana', Triq il-Migbed, Swieqi or as otherwise determined by the Council.

Article 3.

Aims:

- A) to provide a better service for the benefit of children staying in hospitals in Malta
- B) to provide a better stay for the children staying in hospitals in Malta
- C) to co-operate with Health Authorities in rendering a good service to the children patients in the hospitals in Malta

Article 4.

Membership

- A) All parents of children who have or had their children treated in hospitals in Malta.
- B) All parents who are interested in the well being of children in hospitals in Malta.

Article 5.

Annual General Meeting

- A) The Annual General Meeting is the highest authority of the Association and shall be convened once annually;
- B) The AGM shall be chaired by the President of the Association. In his absence it shall be chaired by the Vice-President. On the absence of both above, it shall be presided by a member chosen from those present;
- C) Nominations for election duly signed by the proposer and seconder should reach the Secretary at least one week before the AGM;
- D) Amendments to the Statute for the approval of the members at the AGM must be seconded and submitted to the secretary in writing not later than one week prior to the date of the AGM and circulated to members before the meeting. Such amendments need only a simple majority of the members present.

- E) The quorum at the AGM should be one third of the members. If members present at the time stated on the agenda are insufficient to form quorum, the Council has the right to hold the meeting half an hour later, with the members present.

Article 6.

Organisation

- A) The Council shall adhere to the policy laid down by the AGM.
- B) The first meeting of the Council shall be held within two weeks of the AGM. At this first meeting the members present shall elect from amongst themselves the following:
 - (1) President
 - (2) Vice-President
 - (3) Secretary
 - (4) Treasurer
 - (5) Public Relations Officer
 - (6) Four other members
- C) the Council may nominate one legal member as advisor to the Council. Such a post will however carry no voting rights.
- D) Council meetings should be convened by the Secretary at least once a month. The agenda of such meetings shall be circulated at least three days before the date of the meeting.
- E) election of the Council shall be held every two (2) years.
- F) The quorum for the Council meetings shall be not less than four (4).
- G) The decisions of the Council shall be by simple majority of members present.
- H) The President or member acting on his behalf shall exercise a casting vote.

Article 7.

Financial Administration

- A) The Council shall be responsible for the financial administration of the Association.
- B) The funds shall be deposited in the bank accounts and used only in connection with the running of the association.
- C) Money so deposited shall be withdrawn with joint signature of the vice-President and President jointly.

- D) A small amount of money may be held as petty cash under the control of the Treasurer.
- E) The accounts of the Association shall be audited.
- F) The membership fee shall be determined by the Council and it may be varied from time to time.

Article 8.

Responsibilities of Officials

- A) President: The president shall be the Chairman of the council and general meetings. He will exercise control over the general and financial administration of the Association.
- B) Vice-President: The vice-president shall assume the responsibilities of the President in the latter's absence.
- C) Secretary: The secretary shall convene all council and general meetings. He is to prepare the agenda and to circulate it to members on the council or General Meeting which are to be read for approval at the following meeting. He shall handle the correspondence of the Association.
- D) Treasurer: The treasurer shall hold proper records of accounts and prepare other financial statements.
- E) Public Relations Officer: The PRO shall be responsible for the issue of press releases. He shall also be responsible for the issue of the Association's publication.
- F) Other members: They shall have executive powers and help whenever needed.

Article 9.

A special General Meeting may be called by:

- (1) The President
- (2) The Council
- (3) One third of the Membership

A special General Meeting shall be convened within three weeks of the receipt by the Secretary of the written request by one of the above. Such request shall state the matter it proposes to bring forward at the meeting. No other items may be brought forward or discussed at such meeting.

The Association shall be dissolved only by a Special General Meeting attaining two-thirds majority of the members present.

Signed on the 31st October 2002

Mr. Steven Delicata, President;

Dr Martin Fenech LLD, Vice-President;

Ms Maria Delicata, Secretary;

Ms Bernadette Balzan, Treasurer;

Ms Doris Lungaro Mifsud, Public Relations Officer;

Mr. David Agius, Member;

Mr. Stephan Buontempo, Member;

Mr. Simon Petroni, Member;

Mr. Robert Spiteri Staines, Member.