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Policy: Council

Title: Governing Process

Objective: The Council will adopt as its guiding principle a governing rather than managing approach to its stewardship. It will make every effort to separate the twin roles of governance and management and maintain a focus on strategic or long-term issues and those associated with outcomes rather than day-to-day administration.

Procedures:

The Council will:

- a) Utilise its Terms of Reference (as outlined in ONZ Policy C1 Council) as the base document from which it takes its operational direction.
- b) Keep its focus on the strategic implications and required outcomes of programmes and services rather than on their management.
- c) Maintain an emphasis on the policy implications of all matters coming before it. All policies stem from the mission and values established by the Council and will be framed to achieve the intentions of these high level statements.
- d) Maintain a commitment to excellence in all matters coming before it. It will establish a code of behaviour which is binding on all members. Included in this code will be statements regarding:
 - Loyalty of the Council and Orienteering NZ's policies and principles
 - Commitment to attending meetings
 - Acceptance of accountability for all organisational matters
 - Commitment to maintaining a governing rather than managing perspective
 - Commitment to representing the Council and Orienteering NZ in a manner befitting the Council membership status
 - Commitment to a collective responsibility for all matters pertaining to the Council
- e) Accept the principle the Council speaks with one voice, no one member shall publicly express his/her own opinion purporting to be that of the Council.
- f) Accept a level of accountability which automatically accompanies Council membership. The Council is accountable to its members and partners for the organisation's actions and decisions.