

Memo: Associate Membership Clarification

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To: All Club Presidents, Membership Chairs, Club Treasurers, Second mailing, Regional Directors, CFUW Board of Directors, Past Presidents of CFUW

Re: Associate Member By-Law (By-Law II.6) interpretation

At the 2009 Annual General Meeting the Associate Membership By-Law amendment was adopted. For Clubs this means:

- 1 **All Clubs must accept Associate Members**—women who do not meet the academic qualifications defined in By-Law II.1, II.2 and II.3—as long as they support the objectives and purposes of CFUW.
- 2 **The 20:80 ratios for Associate Members to Members (those who do meet the academic qualifications) remains in effect.** To figure the maximum allowable number of Associate Members multiply the number of members in your Club by .25 e.g. a Club with 80 members would use the following equation:
 - **80 X .25=20**; that Club could have **20 Associate Members.**
 - **OR for every 4 academically qualified members you can have 1 Associate member**
- 3 **Associate Membership is transferable.** If an Associate Member moves from one community to another; she may join the CFUW Club in her new community.
- 4 **Clubs should begin the process of incorporating the provisions of CFUW By-Law II.6 into their Club By-Laws as soon as possible.**
- 5 **Clubs must begin accepting Associate Members immediately**, regardless of whether the provision for Associate Members is currently in the Club By-Laws, (see CFUW By-Law II.3 "...a Club must undertake to cooperate with the purposes, policies and projects of CFUW as indicated in CFUW's Constitution and By-Laws.")

ASSOCIATE MEMBER: By-Law II - Membership Section 6:

6. An Associate Member is a member who does not qualify for regular membership, as stated in By-Law II.1: II. 1.2: II. 1.3
 - 6.1 An Associate Member shall support the objectives and purpose of CFUW.
 - 6.2 Associate Members are entitled to all the privileges and responsibilities of membership in CFUW.
 - 6.3 Associate Members shall pay full CFUW per capita dues.
 - 6.4 Associate Members shall not exceed twenty-five per cent of the total number of members for whom the Club has paid CFUW per capita dues as recorded in the most recent Club Annual Report to National Office; that is regular CFUW members 80 per cent, associate members 20 per cent.