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SINGLE STORY Charity Fund Charter

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This Charter sets out the principles governing the SINGLE STORY™ Charity Fund.
- 1.2 The Board has approved the Charter and may approve amendments from time to time.
- 1.3 Unless stated otherwise, the following terms (when used in the Charter) have the following meaning:
 - a) “Board” means the Board of BICWA appointed in accordance with the Constitution.
 - b) “BICWA” means Bee Industry Council of Western Australia Limited as a not-for-profit public company limited by guarantee under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).
 - c) “Constitution” means the Constitution of BICWA dated 21 October 2022.

2. Background

- 2.1 BICWA was established to foster, promote, and enhance a sustainable bee industry in Western Australia and to protect the interests of beekeepers and the co-dependent industries and organisations. BICWA activities relate to the viability of all beekeepers and the co-dependent industries and organisations in Western Australia.
- 2.2 BICWA represents the industry in the development of policy and planning initiatives across all levels of government. Particularly this relates to resource protection through engagement with the Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) and the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFESA). We also work closely with the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) to ensure honey bee biosecurity. At BICWA we strive to keep the community, community leaders, associated industries and decision-makers informed about government policies that affect the natural environment in Western Australia. Our aim is to influence better outcomes for the advancement of the environment, which in turn benefits various industries, including the Western Australian Bee Industry.
- 2.3 BICWA funds academic research including pollination; bushfire impacts, and resource sustainability, all in relation to the unique features of Western Australian bees and the

honey bee products they produce. BICWA supports several outreach programs in the community, as well as training programs.

- 2.4 The SINGLE STORY™ Message is ***“Western Australia is home to some of the world’s healthiest honey bees and we are committed to preserving this distinction for the production of quality products”***
- 2.5 **The vision** for the SINGLE STORY™ Charity Fund is to protect the unique flora of WA, share the health benefits of our honey bee products and preserve the world’s healthiest bee population.
- 2.6 **The purpose** of the SINGLE STORY™ Charity Fund is to foster, promote and enhance the unique flora of Western Australia, protect our honey bees from pests and disease, and discover the health attributes of our honey bee products.

3. The Rules of SINGLE STORY™ Charity Fund

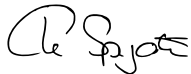
- 3.1 The meaning of ‘SINGLE STORY™ Fund’ and ‘SINGLE STORY™ Charity Fund’ has the same meaning.
- 3.2 The SINGLE STORY™ Fund is a Public Fund with Deductible Gift Recipient endorsement.
- 3.3 The SINGLE STORY™ Fund is established solely for the purpose of the SINGLE STORY™ Message as supported by the objects in the Constitution.
- 3.4 Members of the public are to be invited to make gifts of money or property to the SINGLE STORY™ Fund for the purposes of BICWA supported by the SINGLE STORY™ Message.
- 3.5 Money from interest on donations, income derived from donated property, and money from the realisation of such property is to be deposited into the SINGLE STORY™ Fund.
- 3.6 A separate bank account is to be opened to deposit money donated to the SINGLE STORY™ Fund, including interest accruing thereon, and gifts to it are to be kept separate from other funds of BICWA.
- 3.7 Receipts are to be issued in the name of the SINGLE STORY™ Fund and proper accounting records and procedures are to be kept and used for the SINGLE STORY™ fund.
- 3.8 The SINGLE STORY™ Fund will be operated on a not-for-profit basis.
- 3.9 A Committee of management of no fewer than three persons will administer the SINGLE STORY™ Fund. The Committee will be appointed by the directors of BICWA. All the members of the Committee are required to be 'responsible persons' as defined by the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission (ACNC).
- 3.10 The income and property of The SINGLE STORY™ Fund, whenever derived, will be applied solely towards the promotion of the purpose of The SINGLE STORY™ Fund as set forth in the Constitution as well as in this charter.

3.11 If upon the winding up or dissolution of The SINGLE STORY™ Fund or the SINGLE STORY™ Fund Deductible Gift Recipient endorsement is revoked there remains, after satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same will be given or transferred to another gift deductible fund, institution or institutions having objects similar to the objects of The SINGLE STORY™ Fund, and whose constitution or rules prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members to an extent at least as great as is imposed on The SINGLE STORY™ Fund under the Constitution and this clause, such gift deductible fund institution or institutions to be determined by the Directors of BICWA at or before the time of the dissolution or revocation of the Deductible Gift Recipient endorsement and in default thereof by application to such court as may have or acquire jurisdiction in the matter.

4. Role of the SINGLE STORY™ Fund Committee

- 4.1 The SINGLE STORY™ Fund Committee manages the finances of the SINGLE STORY™ Charity fund according to the **SINGLE STORY™ Charity Fund Rules**.
- 4.2 The SINGLE STORY™ Fund Committee is composed of three Directors of BICWA.
- 4.3 The Chair of the SINGLE STORY™ Fund Committee is appointed by the Chair of the Board.
- 4.4 The SINGLE STORY™ Fund Committee meets 4 times per year and supports the Operational Committee to achieve the strategic outcome of the SINGLE STORY™ Message.
- 4.5 The Chair of the SINGLE STORY™ Fund Committee prepares a written report for the BICWA Board to be presented at the Annual General Meeting according to the Board reporting guidelines.

AUTHORISATION



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