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## NDBA ADVISORY COMMITTEE PAMPHLET NO.14

#### **PROCEDURAL FAIRNESS**

### **Before The Hearing**

- 1. Was the members privileges removed following the incident. If so by whom e.g. Senior Staff Member, Board Member, Hon. Secretary, Secretary Manager?
- 2. Is this authority clearly stated in your Constitution?
- 3. Had the member been given prior notice of what is alleged against him or her, within the time frame?

#### Notice of Disciplinary Charge and Hearing

- 4. In the notice sent to the member, which general statement was used to describe the conduct of the member? e.g.
  - (a) Conduct Prejudicial to the interest of a member
  - (b) Conduct which is unbecoming of a member
  - (c) Conduct which shall render the member unfit for membership. As stated in the Club Constitution.

#### Particulars of the Notice

- 5. In the notice sent to the member, was the alleged statement clearly set out?
- 6. The notice contained the following information:
  - (a) The date and time of the incident
  - (b) The place and factual details of the conduct which it is alleged
  - (c) The time and place where the charge is to be heard
  - (d) Was the member informed they could attend the meeting to answer the charge, or may answer the charge in writing
  - (e) Was the member informed they were able to present evidence and may submit representation (witness). Both orally and in writing for the purpose of answering the charge.
  - (f) Was the member given the opportunity to ask any witnesses called by the Board in support of allegation made against the member?
  - (g) At the conclusion of the evidence, was the member given the opportunity to address the Sub-Committee/Board as to why the evidence does not support the charge?
  - (h) Did the member on receipt of the notice from the Club request for a later date for the hearing due to a number of reasons e.g. work commitment, witness on his behalf unavailable on the proposed date and time of the hearing? If so what was the Boards response?
  - (i) Was the member given the opportunity to consider the possible extent of the penalty as seen by them before the Board announces their decision?
  - (j) Failing to attend the hearing or notify your intentions, the charge is heard in their absence.

The decision of the Board is final, as per the Club Constitution.

Reference: Club Directors Guide.