11.2 – CANBERRA GANG SHOW

INTRODUCTION

1. Canberra Gang Show contributes through performing arts to the youth member training activities in accordance with the Aims, Principles and Methods of the Association. Specifically, it aims to provide opportunities for youth development through training and participation in all facets of theatre.

CANBERRA GANG SHOW AS A SCOUTING ACTIVITY

2. Canberra Gang Show enables young people to develop confidence, teamwork, self-discipline, personal organization and theatrical skills. It offers an outlet for the creativity of youth members and provides a public showcase for Scouting.

3. As a major activity of the ACT Branch, Canberra Gang Show shall clearly be identified and promoted as a Scouting activity.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

4. A budget for Canberra Gang Show must be prepared and submitted to the Branch Executive Committee (BEC) for approval in accordance with ACT Branch Policies and Procedures. While it is possible to make a profit from the Show, this is not the primary aim. The Canberra Gang Show budget should plan to avoid a loss and provide for a suitable contingency amount.

5. The accounts in any given year will be permitted to run in surplus or deficit provided the reason for this state is justified to the BEC when the budget is submitted for approval. Gang Show surpluses when generated must be retained to be applied for a purpose for which approval by the BEC has been granted. Such provisions are intended to enable Canberra Gang Show to acquire expensive equipment to meet the ongoing nature of the activity.

ADULT PARTICIPATION

6. All adults who take a role in Canberra Gang Show must undergo normal adult leader pre-appointment clearance (including appropriate police checks).

CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S DIRECTIVE

7. There shall be a Chief Commissioner's Directive which shall provide direction for the good management and production of Canberra Gang Show.

8. Matters within the Directive may include, but should not be limited to:

    a. appointment of the Executive Director, Producer (where one is appointed), Director and members of the Management Team;
    b. management structure;
    c. financial management;
    d. participation;
    e. program material and production values;
    f. protection of young people

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

9. The Chief Commissioner shall appoint the Executive Director. The Executive Director is the overall manager of the Canberra Gang Show.

10. The Executive Director supervises and controls the finances, creation and public presentation of the Show and appoints the Director and, except as provided in paragraphs 13 and 14, has ultimate responsibility for all aspects of the Show. The Executive Director is accountable to the Chief Commissioner, through the Assistant Chief Commissioner appointed to oversee Canberra Gang Show.

LEADER IN CHARGE

11. A person who holds a Certificate of Adult Appointment in Scouts ACT shall be appointed as Leader in Charge (LIC) of Canberra Gang Show.

12. Where the person who is appointed as Executive Director also holds a Certificate of Adult Appointment in Scouts ACT, then the Executive Director shall also be the LIC. Otherwise it is preferable that the LIC be appointed from the Leaders active in the Show, who hold a Certificate of Adult Appointment.

13. The LIC is accountable to the Chief Commissioner (through the Assistant Chief Commissioner) for ensuring that Canberra Gang Show operates as a Scouting activity consistent with National and ACT Policy and Procedures. In particular the LIC is to ensure, wherever possible, that a person holding a Certificate of Adult Appointment is in charge of each activity involving youth members and that the activity is conducted appropriately.

14. Where separate appointments are made, the Executive Director shall defer to the LIC's decision on matters of Scouting Principle and Method and treatment of Youth Members.

AUTHORITY

15. This policy statement was approved by the Branch Executive Committee on 20 January 1982 and revised on 12 December 1990, 26 June 1996, 28 May 1977, 23 May 2007 and on 22 September 2016.