Honorary Membership Policy

In accordance with the provisions of the Association's By-Laws, any individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the publicly funded housing industry (hereinafter called "the industry") may be recommended by the Executive to the Membership at an Annual General Meeting to be designated an Honorary Member of the Association.

Criteria

In considering if an individual has made an outstanding contribution to the industry, the Executive shall consider the following criteria and any others they deem appropriate, responding on the basis of each individual's merits.

- Active members of the Association should not be eligible for this designation.
- Nominated individuals should typically have "retired" from their career in the industry.
- Significant and conspicuous ethical service to the Association on the Executive, on Committees or to the Association over an extended period of time (8+ years).
- Significant contribution through employment or volunteer efforts over an extended period of time (8+years) to the professional development of administrators in the industry.
- Demonstrated leadership qualities during a lengthy career as a senior administrator, well recognized in the industry, having had an impact at the provincial or national level.

Nomination Process

Two or more members of the Association in good standing may submit to the Executive, in writing, at any time, the name of an individual for consideration as an Honorary Member. The Executive shall publish a written request annually, along with the Notice of the Annual General Meeting, for members to submit nominations.

The persons nominating a potential honoree should submit a brief biography, including accomplishments, criteria met, and reasons for granting honorary membership.

The Executive shall consider all submissions received and present to the membership, at the Annual General Meeting, their recommendation for Honorary Membership designations. A majority vote of the membership at the Annual General Meeting is required for approval.

Recognition

Individuals receiving Honorary Membership designation shall be awarded an engraved recognition plaque.

Membership Benefits/Privileges

- Annual Association Membership fees shall be waived for Honorary Members
- Honorary Members may participate in all meetings, but shall not have a vote
- Honorary Members shall be required to pay registration fees for all Association meetings and events except the Annual General Meeting.
- Honorary Members are not eligible to serve on the Association Executive or Committees, but may be consulted as advisors.

Return to Activity in Industry

Honorary Members who return to the industry and are employed in a position that would make them eligible for Regular Membership status in the Association shall have their Honorary Status revoked until such time as they are no longer employed in such a position. The Honorary Status would then be reinstated by motion of the Executive.