

**Aim**

The purpose of the policy is to clearly define the role of the committee in all matters of teaching and teaching decisions. This would allow the teachers, as employees of Ringwood Ballet Group to work in an environment that fully supports their teaching decisions.

**1. The committee would formally adopt an approach of non-involvement in all teaching decisions that relate to -**

- RAD /SFD teaching and examination policies
- choice of curriculum used throughout the year
- selection of material for formal displays by the ballet group
- selection of students for particular roles unless asked by teachers to assist in auditions
- entering students into examinations
- entering students into competitions

**2. The committee will have an impartial approach to all students within the school.**

- Committee members are not to make decisions about the most suitable class for new enrolments/ phone inquiries. These will all be referred to the Artistic Director for appropriate placement within the school. All new enrolments and phone inquiries will also be referred to the Artistic Director.
- Committee members will refrain from discussing personal choices or preferences with regard to any student other than their own.

**3. The committee will adopt a policy of total support of the teachers, and encourage and expect the teachers to have a unified approach to their teaching responsibilities.**

The committee would expect that all teaching decisions will be fully discussed with the Artistic Director who is kept fully informed. They can then be brought to committee if needed.

**4. Exceptions to this entire policy would occur if the Artistic Director approached the committee to seek an opinion or solution to a situation within the school.**

**5. The Artistic Director will have final creative approval** covering decisions relating to costumes, scenery, backdrops, casting, music, choreography and related details for all performances.

**6. The committee would expect the teachers to understand and use this policy in a realistic manner.** If circumstances arose that needed clarification regarding the policy, these will be discussed in the committee meeting or a special meeting will be called by the President, as per Rule 26, clause 2 and 3 of the RBG constitution.

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**Next Review Date – Committee Involvement in Teaching Policy**

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