# FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT MANUAL

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#### Financial Management Manual (FMM)

This document specifies the financial requirements that all members of Perth Alliance Church North (PACN) must comply with in other to ensure effective and consistent financial management across PACN.

The Manual is binding upon all members of PACN, and promotes:

- Accountability and transparency in financial management
- Long term financial sustainability
- Effective and efficient control over, and use of, financial resources
- Accuracy, timeliness, and completeness of financial information
- Effective management of financial risks
- Compliance with legislative and government policy requirements (including The Christian and Missionary Alliance of Australia (M&CAA)

The Custodian of the Financial Management Manual is the PACN Finance Committee\*.

The Manual is maintained by the PACN Finance Committee.

The Manual is required to be reviewed every 12 months.

\*Note: Finance Committee members include pastor(s), Deacon(s), Church accountant(s) or bookkeeper(s) and PACN member(s) (recommended with the approval of the Board of Elders). Committee members must be reviewed once a year and verified by the Board of Elders.

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### 1.0 Delegation and Authorisation Schedule (DAS)

A delegation and authorisation schedule lists all delegation/authorisation made to specific positions and classes of positions (Tiers) as determined by PACN, rather than to individual office/ministry holders. PACN delegations and authorisations tiers are outlined in the table below.

Class	Typical positions within the Class
Tier 1	AGM/EGM
Tier 2	Board of Elders
Tier 3	Board of Deacons
Tier 4A	Ministry (with Budget allocation)
Tier 4B	Ministry (without budget allocation)
Tier 4C	Ministry Committee (Apply to Capital Investment/Employee appointment Request only)
Tier 5	Individual Member, *Special Purpose Committee (SPC)

\*Note: Committee set up for specific purpose/project (normally with set time frame) e.g. Mother's Day Working Committee.

Class	Approval Limit	Expenditure Type(s)
Tier 1	>=\$ 8,000	All.
		Include capital investment, employee appointment.
Tier 2	\$5,000 - \$7,999	All.
		Exclude capital Investment or employee appointment.
Tier 3	\$500 -\$4,999	All.
		Exclude capital investment or employee appointment.
Tier 4A	\$0 - \$499	All.
		Exclude capital Investment or employee appointment.
Tier 4B/4C/5	None	None

# 1.1 General DAS – Unless otherwise stated.

### 1.2 Pastoral Team (Specific items only)

Items can be purchased directly and do <u>not</u> need to follow "Request for Additional Funding" process in accordance s2.0 of the Financial Management Manual.

Item	Eligible	FY22/23	FY23/24
Pastor Reference Book	Pastor	\$40/month	\$480/Year
Conference & Training	Pastor	\$250 each x 2	Max \$500/year
(Items are not covered in Section 3.1)			
Internet & Mobile	Pastor	\$30/month	\$30/month
Ministry Care Expenses	Pastor/Elder	\$ 220/month	\$220/month
General items (work related)	Secretary	\$ 50/month	\$200/Transaction
Ministry Care Expenses	Deacons	\$60/month	None (removed)
Ministry Care Expenses	Lead Pastor	\$550/month	None (removed)

### 1.3 Meal & Entertainment

Unless otherwise stated, all requests must be submitted (prior to the event) to Board of Deacons for consideration and seeking approval.

# 2.0 Request for Additional Funding

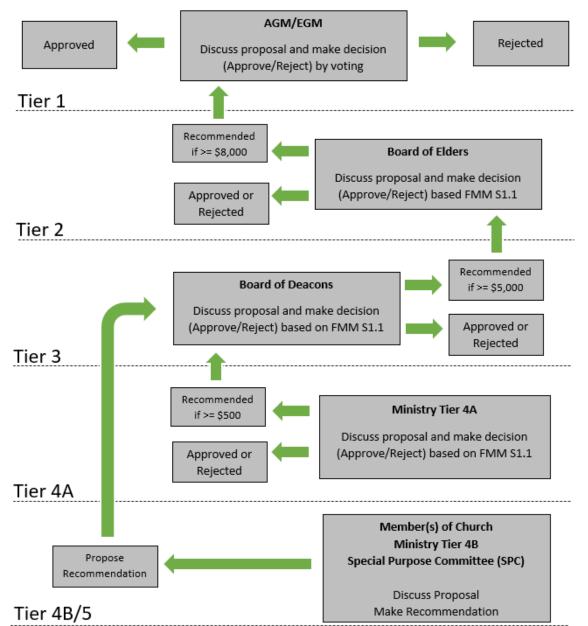
A Ministry/member may require additional funding during the financial year from the PACN in circumstances when a new program or initiative arises, where the timing is outside of the annual budget process.

This policy specifies the rules and procedures that apply in relation to submitting requests for additional funding during the financial year, at times outside of the annual budget process. It does <u>not</u> apply to instances where:

- An emergency arises; in such instances, PACN may need to be contacted directly on the matter
- A Ministry is under financial difficult; in such instances, a notice of financial difficulty may need to be raised directly to Board of Deacons (PACN).

### **Roles and Responsibilities**

Unless otherwise stated, Executive Pastor are to ensure that his policy and its procedures are fully complied with and will be held accountable for any non-compliance.

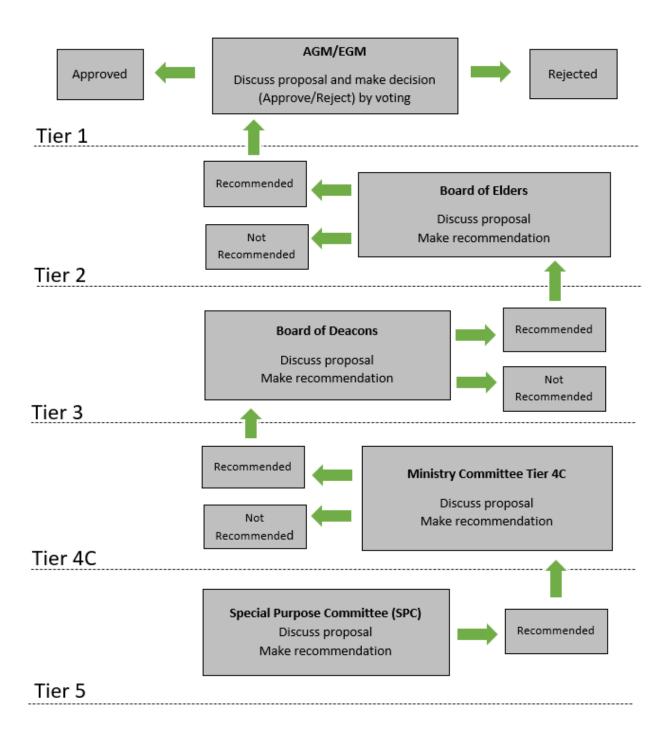


#### 2.1 General Request (exclude capital investment or employee appointment) – Flowchart

# 2.2 Capital investment or employee appointment Request- Flowchart

Unless otherwise stated, Special Purpose Committee (e.g. Church Planting Committee) will be setup to facilitate the need designing robust strategies related to capital investment/employee appointment in the Church.

According to constitution, only class Tier 1 <u>have the right to vote</u> on the decision for capital investment or employee appointment proposal which a valid (meet quorum requirement) AGM/EGM must be held.



# 3.0 Schedule of Subsidies

# **3.1 Pastoral Training**

Unless otherwise stated, all requests must be submitted (prior to the event) to Board of Deacons for consideration and seeking approval.

Item	Eligible	FY22/23	FY23/24
**C&MA Council Meeting (Annual)	Pastor/ with Spouse	\$1000/person	\$1000/person
**Pastoral Forum (Annual)	Pastor	\$1000/person	\$1000/person
Pastor Short Term Mission Trip	Pastor	\$3000/person/yr.	\$3000/person/yr.
Pastor Short Term Mission Honorarium	Pastor	\$275/person/yr.	\$275/person/yr.
Pastoral Retreat	Pastor	\$700/person/yr.	\$700/person/yr.
Pastoral Personal Retreat	Pastor	\$1080/person/yr.	\$1080/person/yr.

\*\*Note: Only 1x selected Pastor will represent PACN to attend those meeting/forum each time.

# 3.2 Honorarium & Other Expenses

Unless otherwise stated, all requests should be managed by PACN office.

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Item	Eligible	FY22/23	FY23/24
Local Speaker			
Without Theo. Trained Speaker	By invitation	\$100/each cong.	\$100/each cong.
With Theo. Trained Speaker	By invitation	\$150/each cong.	S150/each cong.
Interstate Speaker			
With/Without Trained Speaker	By invitation	\$170/each cong.	\$170/each cong.
Overseas Speaker			
With/Without Trained Speaker	By invitation	S170/each cong.	S170/each cong.
Accommodation	Interstate Speaker	\$50/day	\$50/day
Reimbursement (B&B)	Oversea Speaker		
	By Submission		

# 3.3 Sponsor Theological (Theo.) Student

Unless otherwise stated, all requests must be submitted (prior to the event) to Board of Deacons for consideration and seeking approval.

Item	Eligible	FY22/23	FY23/24
Sponsor Theo. Student	Member only	Max	Max
		\$2000/person/yr.	\$2000/person/yr.

# 3.4 Short Term Mission Subsidy

Unless otherwise stated, all requests must be submitted (prior to the event) to Board of Deacons for consideration and seeking approval.

Item	Eligible	FY22/23	FY23/24
Short Term Mission Subsidy	Member only	Max \$500/person	Max \$500/person

# 3.5 Others

Unless otherwise stated, all requests must be submitted (prior to the event) to Board of Deacons for consideration and seeking approval.

Item	Eligible	FY22/23	FY23/24
Wedding	By submission	\$0	Removed
Funeral (A)	Service hosted by our Church Pastor	\$50	\$50
Funeral (B)	By submission	\$50	\$50

### 4.0 Petty Cash

Petty cash is used for operational efficiency to purchase small value essential items by cash where it is not possible or appropriate to use PACN purchasing card/Electronic Funds Transfer.

# 4.1 Ministry of Logistics Petty Cash

Ministry of Logistics holds petty cash which can be used for church function expenses (such as after Church refreshment etc.). It can be topped up periodically.

Criteria	Requirement
Custodian	Ministry Leader(s)
Amount	\$400
Funding Source	General Fund
Authorised by	Board of Deacons
Requirement	Report once a year to Finance Committee for AGM reporting purpose

# 4.2 Junior Church Petty Cash

Junior Church holds their own petty cash through offering from Children which can be used for church function expenses (related to Junior Church).

Unless otherwise stated, Junior Church <u>cannot</u> request for topping up from any PACN funds.

Criteria	Requirement
Custodian	Selected Member from Junior Church
Amount	No set amount
Funding Source	Offering from Children
Authorised by	Junior Church Ministry
Requirement	Report once a year for annual auditing purpose

#### 4.3 Cell Group Petty Cash

Cell Group(s) might hold their own petty cash through offering from cell group member which can be used for church function expenses (related to same cell group).

Unless otherwise stated, cell group cannot request for topping up from any PACN funds.

Criteria	Requirement
Custodian	Cell Group Leader or selected member within the same cell group
Amount	No set amount
Funding Source	Offering from Cell Group Members
Authorised By	Cell Group members
Requirement	Report once a year for annual auditing purpose

# 4.4 PACN office Petty Cash

PACN office holds Petty Cash which can be used for daily related office expenses.

It can be topped up periodically.					
Criteria	Requirement				
<b>Requestor/Custodian</b>	PACN Secretary				
Amount	\$ 200				
Funding Source	General Fund				
Authorised by	Board of Deacons				
Requirement	Requirement Report once a year to Finance Committee for AGM reporting purpo				

#### 4.5 Request for Petty Cash

Ministry / Special Purpose Committee (SPC) can apply for petty cash by submitting application to Board of Deacons for consideration and seeking approval. It can be topped up periodically (This option is only applied to Ministry's request).

Criteria	Requirement					
Custodian	Ministry Leader(s) / SPC Chair					
Amount	Max \$400 (Ministry) / TBA (SPC)					
Duration	Apply to Special Purpose Committee only					
Funding Source	General Fund					
Authorised by	Board of Deacons					
Requirement						
Ministry:	Ministry: Report once a year for annual auditing purpose					
SPC:	<b>SPC:</b> Return Residual fund back to Finance Committee once project completed					
	Provide expenditure/Income report for accounting & audit purposes.					

# 5.0 Definition of the funds

Funding Types	Categories	Fund names	Purpose of the fund	Responsible Office	Class	FY22/23	FY23/24
Operation Fund	Operation	General Fund	Funds to be used for covering " <u>PACN</u> " day to day incomes and expenditures.	Board of Deacons	Tier 3	Active 🗹	Active 🗹
Special Purposes Fund	Congregation	Bridge Alliance Church Fund	Funds to be used for covering " <u>Bridge"</u> day to day incomes and expenditures.	Bridge Alliance Church Ministry	Tier 4A	Active 🗹	Active 🗹
		Children Ministry Fund	Funds to be used for covering "Junior Church" day to day incomes and expenditures.	Junior Church Ministry	Tier 4A	Active 🗹	Active 🗹
		Ignite Youth Group Fund	Funds to be used for covering " <u>Ignite</u> " day to day incomes and expenditures.	Board of Deacons	Tier 3	Active 🗹	Active 🗹
	Missionary	Long Term Mission Fund	To provide financial support for long term missionary.	Board of Deacons	Tier 3	Active 🗹	Active 🗹
		Oversea Mission Fund	To support oversea mission trip/event or oversea Non-Profit Organisation (NGO).	Board of Deacons	Tier 3	Active 🗹	Active 🗹
		Home Mission Fund	To support local mission trip/event or local Non- Profit Organisation (NGO).	Board of Deacons	Tier 3	Active 🗹	Active 🗹
		Great Commission Fund	To support C&MA to sending, partnering, and releasing workers to provide access to, and to preach the gospel to all nations. Spilt between 80% (C&MA) and 20% (ACACC)	Board of Deacons	Tier 3	Active 🗹	Active 🗹
	Training & Education	Theological Education Fund	To provide financial support (member only) for studying certified Theological causes.	Board of Deacons	Tier 3	Active 🗹	Active Combined and Rename "Training and Education Fund" however
		Pastor Training Fund	Funds to be used for covering Pastor training expenses.	Board of Deacons	Tier 3	Active 🗹	purposes of the fund is no change.
	Capital	Building Fund	Funds to be used for purchasing property (physical) and covering relevant expenses (e.g. mortgage payment).	AGM/EGM	Tier 1	Active 🗹	Active 🗹
	Recruitment	Pastor Stipend fund	Funds to be used to for covering recruitment expenses. (Pastor position only)	Board of Deacons	Tier 3	Active 🗹	Active 🗹
	Repair & Maintenance	Equipment & Fittings Fund	Funds to be used for covering Church's property maintenance expenses or purchasing of equipment (new/replacement).	Board of Deacons	Tier 3	Active 🗹	Active 🗹
	Others	Library Fund	Funds to be used for covering Church's Library expenses.	Board of Deacons	Tier 3	Active 🗹	Closed 区 (Residual fund will be transferred to "Children Ministry Fund")
		Kindness Fund	Donation form one of the PACN member 7 years age. No specific terms & conditions have been defined at that time.	Board of Deacons	Tier 3	Active 🗹	Closed 区 (Residual fund will be transferred to "General Fund")