

## **GUIDELINES FOR AWARDING HONORARY MEMBERSHIP**

### **A. Honorary Membership of Motta School Alumni Association (MSAA) may be awarded to the following persons:**

1. Members of the Association who have made an outstanding contribution. Such contributions may include, but are not limited to:
  - Outstanding leadership of the Association
  - Exemplary long service to the Association as Office Bearers and/or Board Members
  - Contributions to the development and implementation of significant policies and programs
  - The provision of advisory services to the Association to enable it to work more effectively and economically
2. Any person of remarkable achievement in any field of knowledge, creativity, performance, work or service subscribing to the aims and objectives of the association may be considered as an Honorary Member without paying any fee. Such members may attend important meetings of the association and offer suggestions but cannot vote.
3. Any person or institution or organization with good integrity donating at least 1 million Ethiopian Birr in cash or kind shall be considered as an honorary member of the association. Such members may attend key meetings of the association and offer suggestions but cannot vote.

### **B. Submission of nominees**

- Recommendations may be submitted by any MSAA member (or group of members) to the Board or Executive Committee for consideration. Supporting written documentation concerning the appropriateness of the nominee should be submitted at the same time. This may form the basis of a citation.
- Regional associations may nominate their own honorary members based on criteria stated above, who would become honorary members of the International Association when approved.
- Honorary membership of a Regional association does not preclude the awarding of Honorary Membership of MSAA through the International association outlined above.
- Honorary Membership may be awarded posthumously.

### **C. Verification**

If necessary, the Board or Executive Committee may consult more widely on the appropriateness of the candidate. If a consensus is reached, the Board or Executive Committee will request the proposer, or a close colleague of the candidate, to provide a written citation.

### **D. Process of Awarding Honorary Membership**

The name of the honoree will be submitted for approval at the first meeting of the General Assembly. The case shall be considered in the absence of the would be honoree. If approved, the citation will be read at the second meeting of the General Assembly, and the honoree will receive a copy. At this point, the honoree may address the membership, but this is not a requirement of the award.

**E. Publication**

The citation will be entered and recorded in the association's books and other medium that shows members of the association.

**F. Benefits of Honorary Membership**

Honorary members elected by the General Assembly, are exempt from dues to in subsequent years. This does not preclude honorary members who prefer to pay dues.

**G. Termination of Membership**

- An honorary member of the association who works against the interests, objectives and reputation of the association will cease to be its member. The General Assembly shall have full power to take such decision.
- An honorary member of the association shall cease to be a member of the association if He/ She dies, resigns, becomes of unsound mind, becomes insolvent or is convicted of a criminal offence.
- An honorary member may resign from the membership of the association any time by a letter addressed to the association Chairperson or the Secretary. The General Assembly shall have full powers to accept such resignations.
- There shall not be restoration of membership after termination.