

## **ARTICLE 5: MIC MEMBERSHIPS AND LEVELS.**

### **5.1 The Membership. The MIC Membership shall be comprised of 2 levels of membership categories: 1- The General Membership 2- The Voting Membership.**

The following rules apply to both levels of memberships:

- 1- A Membership fee of \$25.00 per month is required. The preference is that payment be made by check, but if paid by cash a receipt will be provided to the payor;
- 2- The membership dues can be increased by a simple majority of Voting Members at a General Body or specially called General Body meeting.
- 3- There will be no limit on total numbers of Voting and General Members; and
- 4- Each household will be considered as one Voting Member; and
- 5- The Membership fee is assessed per household.

### **5.2 The General Membership Rules. A Member must:**

1. Be a Muslim;
2. 2- Be an adult 18 years or older;
3. 3- Be in good standing in the MIC;
4. 4- Be a current resident or working in one of the following counties: Orange, Sullivan, Ulster Sussex (NJ) or Pike (PA); and.
5. Have obtained references from two existing Members for eligibility.

### **5.3 The Voting Membership Rules. A Voting Member must:**

1. Be a General Member and must have completed two years as a General Member;
2. and Have for two years continuously paid the Membership dues;
3. and Be presently current on the dues.

### **5.4 Automatic and Procedural Membership Termination Protocols.**

1. The Treasurer shall cause a first notice to be issued to any Member who has failed to pay dues for a continuous or non-continuous period of 6 months. The Treasurer shall cause a second notice to be issued to any Member who has failed to pay dues for a continuous or non-continuous period of 9 months;
2. Membership shall be terminated by simple majority of the Board of Trustees for failure to pay dues for 12 continuous or non-continuous months;
3. Once membership is terminated due to nonpayment of dues, the tenure of qualification as either the General or the Voting Member will be reset;
4. Additionally, if the non-paying Member is a Voting Member, he/she will not be eligible to vote in the upcoming elections;
5. In the case of open defiance of Sunnah and Shariah as described by the Holy Quran and the Prophet Mohammad (PBUH), the membership shall be terminated immediately by simple majority of the Board of Trustees.