

4.1.3 Short Title: Keep Us Together

Moved, to add a new subsection following existing Section 1.5.7:

Section 1.5.X: No membership shall be offered that unbundles the key WSFS rights, in particular the right to vote in Site Selection, the right to vote in the Hugo Awards, the right to submit business to (and if attending, participate in) the WSFS Business Meeting, and the right to receive generally available publications.

Commentary: Worldcon has long maintained the key principle of “WSFS Membership” for both Supporting and Full Attending Members. This principle is a reminder of the participatory nature of the event and the fact that we sell “memberships” not “tickets.” (We make some practical exceptions to make the event inclusive and accessible to new fans, such as selling Day Admissions, but these are clearly distinguished from Memberships and generally do not carry WSFS rights).

While individuals are not forced to use all the rights that they receive, we believe it is important to enshrine the principle of WSFS Membership and to encourage people to realize that by buying a membership they are becoming a part of the broader WSFS and Worldcon community.

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