

Article II Section 5

Current Text

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Proposed w/Changes in RED

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Background & Summary

The club had not been receiving the initiation fee with new member applications for quite a while. It was felt that the entire \$235 initiation up front was a deterrent for people to join the club, however not collecting anything lead to a lot of people “window shopping” and never actually joining (Approx 50%). This change allows the board the flexibility to set the amount to be collected with the application.