# Article II Section 1

# **Current Text**

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# Proposed w/Changes in RED

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# **Background & Summary**

Seeking to update the dues amount and eliminate legacy dates in language. Last line did not make sense as written.

Eliminated COLA language on the increase.

# Article II Section 5

# **Current Text**

Section 5. New Members. The initiation fee and a prorated payment of annual dues must be paid before an applicant may be sworn in as a new member. All applicants for membership must be accompanied by the initiation fee, which shall be refunded if the applicant is denied acceptance for membership. Any member who drops out of the Club in the fiscal year where an assessment was due without having paid the assessment, shall not be readmitted until all past due obligations are paid.

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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.

# Article III Section 1

# **Current Text**

Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the members of the Club shall be held at the Clubhouse on the second Thursday of January in each year at 7 o'clock P.M. The Annual meeting shall be held for the purpose of receiving annual reports of the President and all committee chairmen, the election of directors in accordance with ARTICLE IV hereof, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

## Proposed w/Changes in RED

Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the members of the Club shall be held at the Clubhouse during the month of on the second Thursday of January in each year at 7 o'clock P.M a date and time chosen by a majority vote of the board of Directors during the December Board of Directors Meeting. The Annual meeting shall be held for the purpose of receiving annual reports of the President and all committee chairmen, the election of directors in accordance with ARTICLE IV hereof, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting. The meeting can be cancelled and rescheduled due to weather or extenuating circumstances, where a new meeting date will be selected within 15 days of cancellation.

#### **Background & Summary**

This amendment seeks to offer the board the flexibility to alter the date and/or time as the need arises.

# Article III Section 2

# **Current Text**

Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of members of the Club shall be held at the Clubhouse on the first Thursday of each month at 7 o'clock PM. However, the time of any such monthly meeting may be changed or the meeting dispensed with at the discretion of the Board of Directors upon Prior notification to the membership.

## Proposed w/Changes in RED

Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of members of the Club shall be held at the Clubhouse on a date and time designated by the board of directors on the first Thursday of each month at 7 o'clock PM once per quarter. However, the time of any such monthly quarterly meeting may be changed or the meeting dispensed with at the discretion of the Board of Directors upon Prior notification to the membership. The annual meeting shall qualify as a regular meeting for the quarter it occurs in. The meeting designated as the annual meeting shall be rescheduled if canceled or dispensed.

#### **Background & Summary**

In an effort to set a schedule for meetings of the membership that is achievable and would be a valid use of the members time to attend, the board is recommending moving to a quarterly meeting schedule.

# Article IV Section 2

# **Current Text**

Election and Term of Directors. At each annual meeting of members, a total of five (5) regular Directors shall be elected from among the nominees therefore for a term of three (3) years. The membership shall also elect Directors to fill any unexpired terms caused by death, resignation or otherwise occurring since the last annual meeting. Directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast at each annual membership meeting. The five (5) Directors with the highest plurality shall serve for the three (3) year terms, the unexpired terms shall be filled by having the longest unexpired term going to the Director with the next highest plurality. In addition, the outgoing President shall remain on the Board as an additional Director for one additional year if his term as a regular Director expires with the President's term of office. The newly elected Directors shall enter upon the performance of their duties immediately upon their election. Except as hereinafter provided, Directors shall continue in office until their successors shall be duly elected and shall have assumed office.

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# **Background & Summary**

Elimination of the 16<sup>th</sup> director and the ambiguity surrounding the authority of such a position. Keeping the board to 15 allows for a majority in voting and eliminates the possibility of an 8-8 vote. Transition will be negotiated with the outgoing president on a case-by-case basis.

# Article IV Section 3

# **Current Text**

Section 3. Meeting. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the Clubhouse on the third Thursday of each month at 8 o'clock P.M. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President of his own initiative, or by the Secretary upon request of any (3) members of the Board on (5) days notice to all directors. A majority of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If a quorum is not present, a lesser number may adjourn the meeting to a later day, not more than ten (10) days later.

## Proposed w/Changes in RED

Section 3. Meeting. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the Clubhouse on the third Thursday of each month at <u>8 o'clock P.M</u> an hour proposed by the president and agreed on by a majority of the Board of Directors. The President may reschedule the meeting with approval of a majority of the Board of Directors given at least 5 days notice from the scheduled meeting date. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President of his own initiative, or by the Secretary upon request of any (3) members of the Board on (5) days notice to all directors. A majority of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If a quorum is not present, a lesser number may adjourn the meeting to a later day, not more than ten (10) days later.

## **Background & Summary**

The board is recommending changes to the language to allow discretion of scheduling the board of directors meeting to a time of the boards choosing and to set provisions to adjust the meeting as required.

# Article IV Section 5/6

# **Current Text**

Section 5. Vacancies. Whenever any vacancy shall occur in the Board of Directors by death, resignation, or otherwise, it shall be filled without undue delay from among the members in good standing, by a majority vote of the remaining of the Board present at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors or at a meeting specially called for that purpose. A Director so chosen to fill a vacancy shall hold office until the next annual meeting, at which time the membership shall elect a Director for the unexpired term.

Section 6. Nominations. During the month of October of each year, the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three (3) members, none of whom shall be a member of the Board, which shall nominate candidates for Directors to be elected at the next annual election. At least twenty (20) days prior to the date of the annual meeting the names of the candidates selected shall be reported to the Secretary. Nomination of the candidates for Directors may also be made by submission to the Secretary prior to the call to order of the annual meeting of a nominating petition signed by ten (10) or more members in good standing. Only members in good standing for at least two years shall be eligible for nomination as a Director. Only members in good standing for at least three years shall be eligible for nomination as an Officer of the club. If the Board of Directors, from all the members in good standing, to serve on the Board until the next election. At any time, the Board of Directors cannot consist of more than four members in good standing with less than three years of membership.3 An exception to the Bylaw change allows all current members have been grandfathered into the previous bylaw at the time of the bylaw change.

#### Proposed w/Changes in RED

Section 5. Vacancies. Whenever any vacancy shall occur in the Board of Directors by death, resignation, or otherwise, the remaining members of the board shall seek to recruit a qualified replacement it shall be filled without undue delay from among all of the members in good standing with at least 2 years of membership. Potential candidates shall be brought before the board for interview. Following the completion of interviews of all candidates, by a majority vote of the remaining of the Board present at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors or at a meeting specially called for that purpose, shall be elected to the board effective conclusion of such a vote. A Director so chosen to fill a vacancy shall hold office until the next annual Election meeting, at which time the membership shall elect a Director for the remainder of the unexpired term.

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Section 6. Nominations. During the month of October of each year, a signup sheet shall be posted in a prominent location accessible by the membership and closed 20 days prior to the scheduled election meeting. The President shall appoint an Election Committee of three (3) members consisting of the Sergeant at Arms and 2 regular members who are not seeking election. This committee will collect the names of nominees from the signup sheet, run the election proceedings during the election meeting, perform the count of ballots and present results. , none of whom shall be a member of the Board, which shall nominate candidates for Directors to be elected at the next annual election. At least twenty (20) days prior to the date of the annual meeting The names of the candidates selected shall be reported to the Secretary at the December Board of Directors Meeting. Nomination of the candidates for Directors may also be made by submission to the Secretary prior to the call to order of the annual meeting of a nominating petition signed by tenFifteen (1015) or more members in good standing only if there are not enough candidates to fill vacancies. Only members in good standing for at least two years shall be eligible for nomination as a Director. Only members in good standing for at least three years shall be eligible for nomination as an Officer of the club. If the Board of Directors falls below fifteen members, the Board of Directors can appoint up to two interim Board of Directors, from all the members in good standing, to serve on the Board until the next election. At any time, the Board of Directors cannot consist of more than four members in good standing with less than three years of membership.3 An exception to the Bylaw change allows all current members have been grandfathered into the previous bylaw at the time of the bylaw change.

#### **Background & Summary**

Language cleaned up regarding vacancies. Directors are free to nominate <u>any</u> member of the club with 2 years of membership. These nominees can be members who ran in the previous election, however no favor should be granted to these individuals based on an election where they failed to receive enough majority to earn a seat.

Eliminated language in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of Section 6 contradicts language in Section 5 where one states the vacancy should be filled and the other states only 2 vacancies can be filled.

Exception stated at the bottom of Section 6 has run through its usable life and should be removed.