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| **CONSTITUTION, PROPOSED REVISIONS, 3/14/18** |
| **Articles** | **Rationale** | **Proposed Text** |
| Article I | No Change |  |
| Article II | No Change |  |
| * Para 1
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 2
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 3
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 4
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 5
 | No Change |  |
| Article III |  |  |
| * Para 1
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 2 (a)
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 2 (b)
 | Do away with the use of place of residence as a determiner of who can be an active member. Place of residence is not as important a factor in club participation as it used to be. There are currently a number of active members regularly attending outings who do not live locally. | An active member enjoys voting privileges.  |
| * Para 2 (c)
 | We do not need an Associate Member category. | Delete |
| * Para 2 (d)
 | Proposed changes based on change to P Para 2(c). Voting members should be adults. | * Renumber as Paragraph 2 (c)
* Revise text to read, “Family Memberships may be extended to immediate family members of Active Members living at a common address. Each family member, 18 and over, may cast one vote.”
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| * Para 3
 | Delete. Text becomes extraneous based on the changes in Paragraph 2(d) |  |
| * Para 4
 | Becomes Paragraph 3.We only have active and family members.The process for revising the fees is unclear. Change from “established by the membership” to “established in the bylaws” | Each member shall be liable for a onetime initiation fee and annual dues as established in the bylaws in the section entitled “Membership Committee” |
| Article IV |  |  |
| * Para 1
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 2 (a)
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 2 (b)
 | The limitations section creates problems. * It takes a almost a full term for the president to climb his/her learning curve and then the club looses that institutional knowledge
* It is difficult every year to find members willing to serve as president or vice-president

The proposed text recognizes that there should be term limits but the existing term limits are too short. The proposed text allows for the officers to serve more than one term but still protects the club from the establishment of an entrenched executive. | Limitations: The President shall not be elected to that office in three consecutive years. Moreover, members shall not serve in either the office of President and/or the office of Vice-President more than four years in any consecutive six-year period. |
| * Para 3 (a), (i)
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 3 (a), (ii)
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 3 (a), (iii)
 | No Change. NOTE: The club is not following the Bylaws Section 3, Para 3. This section of the Bylaws, which is extremely constraining, will be discussed in the proposed revisions to the Bylaws |  |
| * Para 3 (b), i
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 3 (b), ii
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 4 (a)
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 4 (b)
 | The club meetings are primarily social events. Most of the discussion and give and take in the meetings is informal and does not and should not need to follow Roberts Rules of Order. Revise the text to recognize this by adding the qualifier “formal” to All business. | All formal business at regular club meetings shall be conducted according to Robert’s Rules of Order. |
| * Para 5
 | Revise the formatting so that header for Paragraph 5 is formatted the same as the other Paragraphs. The subject of the paragraph needs to be added. Begin the text on its own line | **Paragraph 5. Annual Budget**An Annual Budget shall be adopted … as specified in the bylaws. |
| * Para 6 (a)
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 6 (b)
 | No Change |  |
| Article V |  |  |
| * Para 1
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 2 (a)
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 2 (b)
 | The text should be clarified to minimize confusion. Add the clause “...of the members present at the meeting.” to the last sentence. | The formation of a committee to amend the Constitution must be approved at a regular meeting by a two-thirds majority of the members present at the meeting. |
| * Para 2 (c)
 | This section is outdated.* It does not recognize nor allow for the use of the club’s website, email or other social media for communications with the membership.
* There are times when the club newsletter does not come out on a monthly basis.
* There are at least 2 months a year, July and December, when the club does not have a monthly meeting
 | The membership shall be notified of proposed amendments by current technology at least two weeks prior to the meeting at which they are to be considered. If there is a club meeting the month preceding the meeting at which they are to be considered then an announcement of the proposed amendments should be made at that meeting.  |
| * Para 2 (d)
 | The language is unclear and limiting as to how the voting may be accomplished. | Constitutional amendments proposed to the membership by the chair of such a committee shall require approval by a two-thirds majority of the membership voting. |
| * Para 2 (e)
 | This section is outdated and should be revised to allow those members who are unable to participate in the actual onsite vote to submit their vote to the secretary. | Members need not be present a regular club meeting in order to vote on proposed constitutional amendments. If unable to attend, a member’s vote must be received by the secretary no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting for inclusion in the total vote. |
| * Para 2 (f)
 | No Change |  |
| * Para 2 (g)
 | No Change |  |
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