

DA: March 29, 2017  
TO: Policy Committee  
FR: Bill Williamson  
RE: Bylaws Amendment

John Prussing suggested we change our Bylaws so that the “expiration date” for the elected officers be moved from June 1 to a date after the Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. This will be an agenda item for the next Policy Committee Meeting. It will also provide the chance to create a Secretary-Treasurer position and clarify the language in V, B concerning filling vacancies among the officers. .

For your reference, the process for making amendments is:

**XII. AMENDMENTS.** Amendments to these BY-LAWS may be proposed by the Policy Committee or by not fewer than 15 members of the Chapter. Proposed amendments shall be presented at the next Chapter Meeting. Notice of the proposed amendments shall be given to the members at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Adoption shall by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting.

Thus, on the agenda for the April 6 Policy Committee meeting will be a motion to propose the following revision at the Chapter meeting on May 9.

#### **Current Version**

**V. OFFICERS.** The chapter shall elect from among its members at the annual meeting the following officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These individuals will form the Executive Committee of the Chapter. The duties of these officers shall begin on June 1 subsequent to election, and shall be those customarily associated with the office held. Vacancies occurring in any elective Chapter office prior to the expiration of the normal term shall be filled as follows.

- A. The office of Chapter President shall be filled by the Vice-President.
- B. The office of Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer shall be filled by the Policy Committee. The membership will be informed of this decision.

#### **Proposed Revision** (deleted ~~crossed-out~~; additions in **boldface**)

**V. OFFICERS.** The chapter shall elect from among its members at the annual meeting the following officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer **or Secretary-Treasurer**. These individuals will form the Executive Committee of the Chapter. The duties of these officers shall begin on ~~June 1~~ **August 1** subsequent to election, and shall be those customarily associated with the office held. Vacancies occurring in any elective Chapter office prior to the expiration of the normal term shall be filled as follows.

- A. The office of Chapter President shall be filled by the Vice-President.
- B. The office of Vice-President, Secretary, ~~or~~ Treasurer, **or Secretary-Treasurer** shall be filled by a **person selected** by the Policy Committee. The membership will be informed of this decision.

#### **New Version if revisions approved**

**V. OFFICERS.** The chapter shall elect from among its members at the annual meeting the following officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer or Secretary-Treasurer. These individuals will form the Executive Committee of the Chapter. The duties of these officers shall begin on August 1 subsequent to election, and shall be those customarily associated with the office held. Vacancies occurring in any elective Chapter office prior to the expiration of the normal term shall be filled as follows.

- A. The office of Chapter President shall be filled by the Vice-President.
- B. The office of Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, or Secretary-Treasurer shall be filled by a person selected by the Policy Committee. The membership will be informed of this decision.