

Explanation of Proposed Changes to the HCFG By Laws – March 2022

This document provides a high level overview of the proposed changes to the HCFG By Laws and the rationale for the proposals. This document is NOT meant to be a detailed discussion of the proposed changes. **Please read the actual By Laws document** to understand the details and email the Board with any questions or comments. Thanks.

Article 3 – Membership

- To update the By-Laws with the key points of the New Member Process.

Article – 3B

- Clarification of Spousal Membership
- Continuing membership Requirements: Update the by-laws with current Club policies.
- Membership Privileges: Update the by-laws with current Club policies.

Article 4 – Board of Directors

- Quorum: If all 7 not available, then 5 (not 4) is a quorum. ENSURES LARGER REPRESENTATION FOR DECISIONS.

4a – Elected Offices

1. OFFICER TERMS: EXTEND & STAGGER to help insure continuity of operations and to prevent loss of intellectual capital.
 - a. 2 year officer terms
 - b. President & Secretary election in odd years... 2023, etc.
 - c. VP & Treasurer election in even years... 2024, etc.
2. DIRECTOR TERMS: STAGGER the three terms to help insure continuity of operations and to prevent loss of intellectual capital.
3. Existing Membership Fee discount for 10+ years of service: Extend it to cover all Board positions, not just Officers.

4B – Board Member Removal

- 2/3 of total membership vote needed: ENSURES LARGER REPRESENTATION FOR DECISIONS. *(this change is dependent on Email Voting)*
- Conflict of Interest: Clarifies a more immediate removal policy to prevent potential risk & damage to the club.

4D – Officer & Directors Duties

- To update the by-laws with current Club policies.

Article 5 – Elections... *(this change is dependent on Email Voting)*

- Nominations in October & closed in November: Allows the time needed for Email and in-person voting at the December meeting.

5A – Election Meeting Quorum

- Majority of Total membership in good standing who cast a vote by the voting deadline. This is instead of just who shows up that month. ENSURES LARGER REPRESENTATION FOR DECISIONS. *(this change is dependent on Email Voting)*

6B – Board of Directors Meetings

- To add new Quorum rules from Article 4 above.

Article 8 – Amending these By Laws

- BOD approve before presenting to the membership to vote: This slows down the process for more thought and consensus. Makes sure changes are in line with Board policies. *Note: The Board represents the members in running the Club. The primary way to change the direction of Board policy is by changing who you elect to the Board.*

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Article 9 – Range Use – Alcohol Policy

- Only paper targets: Added “unless otherwise stated in the HCFG Range Rules”
- Added “no illegal drugs.”
- Allows **Board approved** after hours alcohol use... like a poker night. Board approval is needed just like any shooting event.
- Guest Policy: Made general clarifications

Article 10 – Dissolution

- 3/4 of membership vote needed: ENSURES LARGER REPRESENTATION FOR DECISIONS. *(this change is dependent on Email Voting*
- Specifies the pro-gun associations: This is so a person can't file the papers and say “I'm a pro-gun org, give me the money.”

New Article > **ARTICLE 11 – CLUB VOTES:** ENSURES LARGER REPRESENTATION FOR DECISIONS.

- **Email** - Email voting is allowed. The Board of Directors will establish the procedures for email voting.
- **A Majority** - When calculating the number of votes required for a majority, the result will always be rounded down.

Example: Total membership in good standing is 85 x $\frac{3}{4}$ requirement = 63.75 therefore the number of votes required for a majority will be 63.