

**By Laws / SR Proposed changes – 2017
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#	Reference	Proposal	Comments
1.	Article IV, C, 9, 2015 & 2016 Elections	Delete portions referring to 2015 & 2016 elections.	No longer needed.
2.	Article III, D, 3	Give the commodore a vote, not permitted in current By Laws (Commodore only votes to break a Board tie vote). Commodore should vote on issues of importance.	Change By Laws accordingly. Include requirement that a majority of votes of Directors present is required to approve a motion (<u>note that a tie will fail, since currently the Commodore is the tie breaker</u>).
3.	Article III, 3 B 4, Active Management (by the EC)	Clarify Budget Guidelines to require all expenditures to be included in the annual Operating Plan or Capital Plan. Items not specifically approved in the Operating Plan or Capital Plan must be approved by the EC. Include definition for funding of, and spending from Reserve account.	SEE PROPOSED RULES RELATIVE TO BUDGETING AND SPENDING ATTACHED AS A SEPARATE DOCUMENT.
4.	Article VI, Article VIII	Combine and Move Article VI Membership Rules and Article VIII, Dues and Fees, to the SRs and eliminate any duplication.	Membership Rules and Dues / Fees are in separate Articles and appear to some extent in the SRs. Propose to combine & move to one Article in the SRs to make access and modifications easier.
5.	By Laws Appendix III, Table III Committees	Move Committee Tables (committee functions) from the By Laws to the Standing Rules to enable easier updates to committee roles. Replace with By Law language that states that Committee responsibilities shall be as defined in the Standing Rules.	Committee responsibilities are normally included in Standing Rules, since they frequently change according to need
6.	Article IV. Elections and Term of Office 5. Vacancies	Board of Director removal must be per Florida Statute requirements. Board members are required to attend all scheduled meetings of the Board. Any Officer or Director who is absent from two consecutive Board meetings without reasonable cause or excuse may be removed from his position as an Officer or Director by the Board according to Florida State Statute.	Florida Statute 617.0808 Removal of directors — specifies that removal of an elected director may be done through a majority membership vote. If removed for lack of attendance by the Board, special rules apply - it must be done by a majority of Directors then in office, and the removal must be posted in the meeting notice.

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