

## WCKCC Bylaws Revisions 2008

The full text of the new WCKCC Bylaws can be viewed on-line at:

➤ <http://wckcc.org/publications/WCKCC-Bylaws-2008.pdf>

This summary explains the changes and the reasons we are making them. The PDF at the web address above shows the changes in context.

To vote on these changes, please return the enclosed ballot postcard. Your ballot must be postmarked no later than April 30, 2008.

Your vote matters! Please take a moment and drop your ballot in the mail. Thanks.

### Changes Summary

Section:	Change:	Reason:
Article IV.A.d	Added: <i>Industry Members are non-voting and may not hold Director or Officer positions.</i>	Clarified that Industry members have limited participation in club governance.
Article IV.A.f	Original section: All new members must be voted-in at any district or board meeting. Members may be voted in "in absentia."  Revised to read: All new members must be voted-in at any district <i>or board</i> meeting. Members may be voted in "in absentia."	Allow Board of Directors to vote to approve new members at board meetings. We were not achieving a quorum to vote in new members at some of our District meetings.
Article IV.B	Original section: Any person may be classified as a member in full standing with payment of dues in full.  Revised to read: Any member may be classified as a member in good standing with payment of dues in full.	Clarify that existing members who have been voted in may be returned to good standing with payment of dues in full. The existing language of "person" could be seen as creating a back-door membership with payment of dues rather than the intended voting in of members.

Article VII	Renumbered sections	Sections from the second through the sixth were incorrectly labeled D through H rather than B through F.
Article VII.C	<p>Original section:  Directors shall be elected with a simple majority (50% +1) by written ballot at district meetings.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. If no member achieves a majority vote, a run-off election between the top two vote-getters will be conducted at the same meeting.</li> <li>b. Only members of that district may vote for Directors representing a given district.</li> </ol> <p>Changed to:  For each position, the candidate receiving the greatest number of votes will be elected.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. In the event of a tie, a runoff election will be held. If a tie persists after the runoff, the board will select a winner.</li> <li>b. Only members of a given district may vote for Directors representing that district</li> </ol>	The club is consolidating all district elections to a single one held in the autumn.

Article VII.D	<p>Original section: Matters requiring vote by the entire club will be conducted via mail.</p> <p>Revised to read: Matters requiring vote by the entire club will be conducted via mail, <i>email, or other balloting system.</i></p>	<p>Allow voting by the whole club to be done by email or other balloting system as well as by mail. This can save the club substantial money on postage by allowing email to be used for future votes.</p>
Articles VII through XIII	Renumbered Articles by incrementing old Article numbers by one	We had two Article VII's
Article IX.B	<p>Original section: A quorum to conduct business at any general membership meeting shall be deemed to be no less than fifteen percent (15%) of the active membership in attendance.</p> <p>Revised to read: A quorum to conduct business <i>for a given jurisdiction</i> at any general membership meeting shall be deemed to be no less than fifteen percent (15%) of the active membership <i>from the appropriate jurisdiction.</i></p>	<p>Changed Business meeting quorums so that business for a District can be conducted if 15% of that district's members are present. Previously, to conduct any business meeting, 15% of the entire club had to be present.</p> <p>For club wide business matters, 15% of the club members must still be present.</p>

Article XII.A	<p>Original section: Bylaws may be modified with a two-thirds majority vote of all members who return ballots.</p> <p>Revised to read: Bylaws may be modified with a two-thirds majority vote of all members <i>who return ballots. A minimum return of 15% of active members is required for the vote to be valid.</i></p>	Clarify that we need a super majority (2/3) as well as a quorum of voters voting to allow our bylaws to be changed.
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