

I move that the proposed Constitutional Revision be amended as follows:

**Article VII, Section 2**

*Old Line 173:*

All International officers shall be elected directly by the Members.

*New Line 173:*

All International officers shall be elected at the Delegates Meeting.

**Article VII, Section 3**

*Old Lines 176 - 177:*

The President, First Vice President and Second Vice President shall be elected for a term of one (1) year and shall take office on July 1 following their election.

*New Lines 176 - 177:*

The President, First Vice President and Second Vice President shall be elected for a term of one (1) year and shall take office within one (1) week following their election.

*Old Lines 181 - 182:*

elected in the odd numbered years. The Recording Secretary and Treasurer shall take office on July 1 and they may serve more than one (1) term if elected.

*New Lines 181 - 182:*

elected in the odd numbered years. The Recording Secretary and Treasurer shall take office within one (1) week and they may serve more than one (1) term if elected.

**Article IX, Section 1**

*Old Line 207:*

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**Article IX, Section 3**

*Old Line 221:*

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the Delegates, IBT and the Executive Committee; shall advise the President as to whether

**Article IX, Section 4**

*Old Line 232:*

the Annual Members' Caucus, the IBT and the Executive Committee.

*New Line 232:*

the Delegates, the IBT and the Executive Committee.

## **Article X, Insert Between Section 3 and Section 4**

*Insert at line 267:*

**Sec. 4** The IBT shall operate within and interpret the Club's Constitution, Bylaws and Policy, except as directed by action of the Delegates. The Delegates shall have full authority to construe and interpret the Club's Constitution and annually review and/or repeal any Club Bylaw and/or Policy

*Subsequent Sections 4, 5, 6, and 7 shall be re-numbered as Sections 5, 6, 7, and 8.*

## **Article XII, Section 2**

*Old Lines 342, 343*

engage in usual Unit activities, with the exception of participation on the Area Board.

*New Lines 342, 343*

engage in usual Unit activities, with the exception of participation in the Delegates Meeting and Area Board.

## **Article XIII, Title**

*Old Line 360:*

### **MEMBERS' ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

*New Line 360:*

### **DELEGATES MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

## **Article XIII, Sections 1 - 4**

*Replace Old Lines 362 - 384 with the following:*

**Sec. 1** The annual Delegates Meeting shall be held during the International Rally. All Unit Presidents and Members at Large shall be notified of its time and place not less than sixty (60) days prior to such meeting. Notification shall be made by publication in *The Blue Beret* and by electronic means.

**Sec. 2** A list of qualified candidates seeking International Offices and the Nominating Committee positions will be provided with the notification in Sec. 1.

**Sec. 3** The members of each chartered unit may vote and otherwise participate in the annual Delegates Meeting through a Delegate or Alternate Delegate. The voting strength of each Unit shall be determined each year prior to the Delegates Meeting by the number of International dues paying members of that Unit recorded at Headquarters on the date of notification in Sec. 1. The Delegate and Alternate shall present to the presiding officer or an appointed representative, a certificate or letter certifying they have been duly selected and authorized and stating the number of International dues paying members in their Unit.

**Sec. 4** A ballot containing the list in Sec. 2 and any amendments proposed in accordance with Article XVII shall be provided to Members at Large by electronic means to an address provided by the member. A Member at Large may vote by returning a

completed ballot by electronic means to Headquarters for receipt no later than 30 days prior to the Delegates Meeting.

**Sec. 5** The completed ballots described in Sec. 4 shall be tabulated by Headquarters and the results provided to the International Recording Secretary, prior to the Delegates Meeting. The ballots cast in this way shall only be counted if the original question (motion, amendment, or list of candidates) remains unchanged in the vote at the Delegates' Meeting.

**Sec. 6** Each Unit shall be represented at the Delegates Meeting by one Delegate or an Alternate. The Delegate shall be a Regular Member of the Unit represented; the Alternate may be a Regular Member of the Unit represented or an Affiliate Member of the Unit to be represented and a Regular Member of a Unit within the same Area as the Unit represented. No Delegate or Alternate Delegate may represent more than one Unit at the Delegates' Meeting.

**Sec. 7** Members at Large not voting as provided in Sec. 4 may attend the Delegates' Meeting and be seated separately from Delegates and Alternate Delegates. These Members at Large may cast their individual vote in person, except on procedural matters.

**Sec. 8** At the Delegates Meeting all voting, except voting on procedural matters, shall be conducted by roll call of the Units with each Delegate casting the number of votes to which that unit is entitled; unless such vote is to be unanimous in which case a roll-call may be dispensed with. WBCCI Officers shall be elected by a majority vote and should a candidate fail to obtain a majority upon the completion of the first roll-call, a second roll-call will be conducted and the Delegates will choose between the two candidates who received the highest and the second highest number of votes on the first roll-call. Votes tabulated in Sec. 5 shall be included in the roll-call votes provided for in this section. If there be only one candidate for an office, a roll call may be dispensed with by unanimous consent of the Delegates.

**Sec. 9** A quorum of the Delegates shall be twenty (20) percent of the total total number of Delegates entitled to be selected to participate in the Delegates Meeting.

**Sec. 10** If there are only two (2) candidates for the two (2) Nominating Committee positions, a roll call vote may be dispensed with by unanimous consent of the Delegates. If there are more than two (2) candidates for the two (2) Nominating committee positions, the two (2) candidates receiving the highest and second highest number of votes will be elected to the Nominating Committee.

**Article XIV, Sec. 1**

*Old Line 391*

shall be elected directly by the members.

*New Line 391*

shall be elected at the annual Delegates' Meeting as described in Article XIII.

**Article XIV, Sec. 3**

*Old Lines 406, 407*

minimum qualifications as found in the Bylaws and are most qualified for the position they seek.

*New Lines 406, 407*

minimum qualifications as found in the Bylaws.

**Article XVI**

*Delete Lines 426 - 445 and renumber subsequent Articles.*

**Article XVIII, Section 1**

*Old Lines 458, 459*

**Sec. 1** The Standard of Conduct and this Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of members voting by returned ballots as in Sec. 9 of this Article.

*New Lines 458, 459*

**Sec. 1** The Standard of Conduct and this Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members, as determined by either the method in Sec. 8 or the method in Sec. 9 of this Article.

**Article XVII, Section 7**

*Old Lines 482 - 484*

**Sec. 7** The proposed amendment with the report of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee will be placed on the agenda of the Members' Caucus. The agenda will be published in *The Blue Beret* and posted on the WBCCI web site.

*New Lines 482 - 484*

**Sec. 7** The Unit originating the proposed amendment shall inform Headquarters in writing, whether they will seek approval using the method provided in Sec. 8 or in Sec. 9 of this Article.

**Article XVII, Section 8 and Section 9**

*Replace Section 8 and Section 9 with the following:*

**Sec. 8** Headquarters shall distribute copies to the Presidents of all other chartered units for ratification or rejection. When two-thirds (2/3) of the club's chartered units have ratified the proposed amendment by majority votes according to their Constitution and Bylaws and the Unit Presidents have so certified to Headquarters, the amendment shall be deemed to be adopted. If two-thirds (2/3) of the units do not ratify the proposed amendment within one year following distribution to the Unit Presidents, the proposed amendment shall be deemed to have been rejected and to be of no further effect.

**Sec. 9** Approval may be made by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members represented by Delegates present and voting at the annual Delegates Meeting voting in accordance with Article XIII.

The above changes will accomplish the following changes:

- Replace the Members' Caucus with a Delegates' Meeting
- Allow flexibility in holding elections, to allow scheduling the Delegates' Meeting
- Establish the Delegates as the final authority on the Constitution, Bylaws and Policies.
- Eliminate the Nominating Committee Recommendation on the list of Qualified Candidates provided for voting by the Delegates.
- Provide two methods of amending the WBCCI Constitution.

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