

Proposed Bylaws Changes for the 2010 Annual Business Meeting

Region Proposals 1 thru 5 are related to this proposed reassignment of Regions and adding an additional Director position to the Board. If Regions Proposal 1 does not pass, Region Proposals 2 thru 5 are moot.

All proposed bylaws changes may be viewed directly by selecting them from the Bookmarks at the left of this PDF file.

Region Proposal 1 by the International Board 10 16 2009

It is the goal of the International Board to develop a new region by splitting the Western Region into two regions due to the large area and the difficulty of travel for the present Western Regional Director to cover this area. This would also reduce the number of chapters for which the present Regional Directors are responsible.

This would include moving Texas from the old Southern region to the new Region 6, moving Iowa and Minnesota from the old Central Region to the new Region 5 and moving Delaware from the old Eastern region to the new Region 4.

In addition, we wish to change from a geography system to a numeral system (Regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6). The RKMC Memorial will always be in Region 1.

If this proposal is approved, an election will be held at the 2010 Annual Business Meeting for the election of the new Southwest Regional Director.

Region 1,

Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, , New Jersey, New York

Region, 2

Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario

Region 3,

Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Wisconsin

Region 4,

Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Dist of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia

Region 5,

Alaska, Alberta, , British Columbia, Idaho, Iowa, Manitoba, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Northwest Territory, Oregon, Saskatchewan, South Dakota, Washington, Wyoming, Yukon

Region 6,

Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Kansas, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah,

[Region Proposal 2 by the International Board 10 19 2009](#)

SECTION 3:01 NUMBER ON INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD

The number of members (Officers) of the International Executive Board shall be Eleven (11) active members: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Quartermaster, Region 1 Director, Region 2 Director, Region 3 Director, Region 4 Director, Region 5 Director, Region 6 Director. Regions and chapters shall be assigned by the International Executive to the Directors.

[Region Proposal 3 by the International Board 10 19 2009](#)

SECTION 3:13 NUMBER INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Officers of the International Executive Board shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Quartermaster, Region 1 Director, Region 2 Director, Region 3, Region 4 Director, Region 5 Director and Region 6 Director No one person of the International Executive Board may hold more than one office on the International Executive Board. The duties of the Officers, if not specifically enumerated in this document, shall be the duties specified by law of similar Officers in similar non-profit Corporations.

[Region Proposal 4 by the International Board 10 19 2009](#)

SECTION 3:14 ELECTION, TERM OF OFFICE, QUALIFICATION

The Officers of the International Executive Board shall be elected biannually at the Annual Corporation Meeting. The President, Treasurer, Region 1 Director, Region 2 Director and Region 3 Director shall be elected in every odd year. The Vice-President, Secretary, Quartermaster, Region 4 Director, Region 5 Director and the Region 6 Director shall be elected in every even year. All officers shall serve in their office until the close of business of the meeting at which their successors are elected.

[Region Proposal 5 by the International Board 10 19 2009](#)

SECTION 3:23 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Quartermaster, Region 1 Director, Region 2 Director, Region 3 Director, Region 4 Director, Region 5 Director, Region 6 Director shall be the International Executive Board. This Committee shall conduct the International Corporate business of the Red Knights International Firefighters Motorcycle Club[®] Inc. It shall conduct International business whenever the International Corporation is not in session and shall have such duties and powers as may be, from time to time, conferred upon it by the International Corporation.

[Proposed by the International Board 10 19 2009](#)

SECTION 3:11 C COMPENSATION FOR POSITION OF INTERNATIONAL

QUARTERMASTER.

The position of International Quartermaster shall be paid a yearly honorarium as determined by the Executive board. This honorarium shall be paid on the last day of each month starting with the 1st of September 2010. The amounts to be paid shall be reviewed annually at the Spring Executive meeting and if increased, shall be presented to the membership at the annual convention for ratification. The details of amounts shall be listed in the international SOPs.

By-Law Change Proposal submitted by Thomas Caisse on behalf of the International Board of Directors

SECTION 2:10 NOMINATION AND VOTING PROCEDURES FOR ELECTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD

~~Voting for the election of the International Executive Board shall be by secret ballot at the International Annual Meeting. In the event of a tie ballot, the candidates will be given an opportunity to speak to the membership for a maximum of five (5) minutes each. Another session of secret ballot voting will then take place. This procedure will continue till a candidate is elected. An appointed Committee of the International State Representatives or Chapter Representatives shall tally the ballots and announce the results to the Membership. After a candidate is chosen, the ballots will be destroyed.~~

1. Voting for the election of the International Executive Board shall be by secret electronic ballot administered by a qualified independent third party vendor.
2. Incumbent Officers shall make known their intentions for re-election by February 1st in the year that their current term will be completed.
3. Candidates may be nominated by the Nominations Committee or by receiving a formal nomination from three Presidents of Chapters in good standing.
4. Nominations will be opened to Chapters on March 1st and close on May 1st.
5. Nominated Candidates / Incumbents profiles will be posted on-line no later than May 24th. Profile forms must be received prior to being placed on the ballot and no later than May 1st.
6. The voting period for Chapters will open no later than July 24th and close no later than July 31st.
7. Election results will be opened and reported to the membership at the International Annual Meeting.
8. If a tie vote is reported for any position the winner will be decided by a secret ballot of the qualified delegates signed in and present at the International Annual Meeting.
9. If for any reason the winning candidate is unable to accept the office, the office will be filled by the second candidate. If more than two candidates have been nominated for that office, an election by secret ballot will be held by the qualified delegates signed in and present at the International Annual Meeting.

By-Law Change Proposal submitted by Thomas Caisse (supported by the Board)

SECTION 2:09 VOTING AT ALL INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

All chartered Chapters in good standing will have **ONE** equal vote on each motion on the agenda at any International meetings. Only Active Members as defined under Section 5:04 and Members at Large meeting the criteria of Section 5:04 shall be eligible to vote.