



Proposed Changes to the HGMC Bylaws

ARTICLE FOUR – MEMBERSHIP

Modify Section 4.7 Resignation

Any member may resign from the Chorus by ~~personally~~ *verbally* informing the Artistic Director *in person* or by submitting a letter of resignation to the Artistic Director or President of the Board. *Upon acceptance of said verbal or written resignation, member access to all IT resources, including email and chorus portal, shall be terminated immediately. Member is required to return any and all chorus property (including music, keys and documents) at the time of resignation. Any and all membership dues paid shall be forfeit and non-refundable to member.* All resignations shall be presented to the Board *at their next regularly scheduled meeting.*

Add New Section 4.11 Volunteer Hours towards Fundraising Efforts

All chorus members shall be required to contribute a minimum of **4 volunteer hours** per concert season by direct participation in any chorus-related fundraising or recruitment activity. These hours do not need to be consecutive, but volunteer shifts must be of significant duration to contribute to the overall success of the fundraising or recruitment effort. Applicable activities for volunteer hours include, but are not limited to (a) fundraising performances, (b) concession staffing at the Farm Show, (c) booth staffing at Pride events.

ARTICLE SIX – OFFICERS

Modify Section 6.3 Vice-President

The Vice-President shall serve as President in the absence of or disability of the President and shall succeed to the Office of the President in the event of a vacancy. *The Vice-President shall be the chairperson for the Fundraising Committee, and shall bear the responsibilities of developing, organizing and maintaining all fundraising activities of the chorus.* ~~The Vice-President shall also maintain accurate records concerning, and have custody of, all properties of the Chorus, except music, and shall act as official historian for the Chorus, except when the President may appoint someone else to fill these positions, and shall perform any other duties that may be prescribed by the Board of Directors.~~

ARTICLE ELEVEN – ELECTIONS

Add New Section 11.4 Qualifications for Board Member Positions

All individuals interested in obtaining a seat on the Board of Directors, either in the role of an officer, member-at-large, or committee participant, shall be required to submit a brief statement on their credentials for the position, which shall be shared with the entire membership prior to initiation of the voting procedures. The candidacy statement shall be two (2) paragraphs in length, state the board position they are seeking and provide the experience, qualifications, talents and benefits the member proposes to contribute to the Board in said position.