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TO: Governing Board Members

The Governing Board will be voting on five proposed National Bylaws amendments during the July 1, 2026, Governing Board meeting in Sedalia, Missouri. The amendments are enclosed for your review.

In accordance with National Bylaws Article XXI, "Governing Board members shall receive proposed Bylaws amendments no less than 60 days prior to the Governing Board meeting."

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Chapter Presidents
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2026 PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENT

PROPOSAL #1

Article II, Definitions

Amend this article to read:

- (1) The term “family unit,” as used herein, is defined as a person; his or her spouse, or partner; dependents of each, ~~regardless of age; non-dependent grandchildren and great-grandchildren aged 18 and under.~~

COMMITTEE RATIONALE:

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee is recommending this change to clarify the definition of a family unit.

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee recommends adoption of this amendment.

The Executive Board recommends adoption of this amendment.

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PROPOSAL #2

Article III – Membership, Paragraphs (3) (f) and 4.

- (3) (f) A Member Emeritus/Family Associate is an FMCA member who no longer owns a recreational vehicle. A Member Emeritus/Family Associate shall be required to pay dues and has the rights of a full member; however, shall not be eligible to hold a National office. A National officer converting to associate membership status may be allowed to complete his or her term of office.; ~~however, shall not be eligible to vote or hold elected office. An officer converting to associate membership status may be allowed to complete his or her term of office.~~
- (4) A member must own a recreational vehicle or at least 1/3 interest in a recreational vehicle in order to ~~vote or~~ hold a national office in FMCA; ~~a chapter, or an area association or to serve on a national committee.~~ This restriction does not apply to Full Lifetime or Life Members.

Article IX – Executive Board, Paragraph (4)

- (4) Any FMCA/FRVA Full, Full Lifetime or Life Member ~~voting FMCA member,~~ is eligible for election to the Executive Board. A national officer may not hold a chapter office, area office (except Area President), or a second national position simultaneously. ~~A full member may not accept a nomination for more than one national office simultaneously~~ and must be eligible to serve the complete term of the office for which they are accepting.

COMMITTEE RATIONALE:

Giving Associate Members the right to vote and hold office in chapters and some area association positions will benefit both chapters and area in providing more members qualified to hold office, plus keep the required membership numbers in chapters. This still restricts Associate members from serving in a National Officer position.

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee recommends adoption of this amendment.

The Executive Board recommends adoption of this amendment.

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PROPOSAL #3

Article VIII, Governing Board, paragraph (8)

Amend this article to read:

~~(8) Fifty one percent of the total Governing Board shall constitute a quorum.~~ A quorum for the transaction of business at the Governing Board meeting is 25% of the voting chapters or 75 members from the voting chapters, whichever is less.

COMMITTEE RATIONALE:

The Governing Board approved this wording in the 2025 Governing Board meeting. This implements the direction of the Governing Board. The Governance Committee was the original proposer of this amendment.

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee recommends adoption of this amendment.

The Executive Board recommends adoption of this amendment.

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PROPOSAL #4

Article XVII – Chapters, Paragraphs (2), (3), (5), (7), and (14)

Amend this article to read:

- (2) Any group of ~~fifteen~~ seven or more ~~voting~~ memberships may petition FMCA for a charter for the creation of a chapter. ~~Any group of seven or more voting memberships may petition FMCA for a charter for the creation of an associate chapter.~~ All ~~chapter or associate~~ chapter members must be FMCA members in good standing. An FMCA member may join more than one chapter.
- ~~(3) A chapter has Governing Board representation and is an organization of members with a scope within the United States and Canada. An associate chapter does not have Governing Board representation and may have a scope outside of the United States and Canada.~~
- (5) A chapter will elect a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and a national director. ~~for a one or two year term. An associate chapter will elect a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, and a treasurer for a one year or two year term.~~ A chapter may elect in their bylaws to combine the positions of secretary and treasurer into a single position. A chapter has the option of whether to elect an alternate national director. However, a chapter ~~other than associate~~, must maintain at least three (3) members holding the officer positions in that chapter. An FMCA member may hold no more than two chapter offices simultaneously. A member may hold an office in two chapters; however, he/she may not hold the offices of national director or alternate national director in more than one chapter.
- (7) All chapters must maintain a minimum number of memberships in order to retain their accredited status.
- (a) A chapter must maintain a minimum number of ~~fifteen~~ seven FMCA memberships. A chapter that fails to maintain the required number of memberships shall revert to inactive chapter status, and the national director or alternate national director elected by the chapter shall have no vote in the proceedings of the Governing Board.
- ~~(b) An associate chapter must maintain a minimum of seven FMCA memberships. An associate chapter that fails to maintain the required number of memberships shall revert to inactive associate chapter status.~~
- ~~(14) No more than once a year, a chapter may change its status to an associate chapter, or an associate chapter of members with a scope within the United States and Canada may change its status to a chapter.~~

COMMITTEE RATIONALE:

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee is recommending this amendment to eliminate the Associate Chapter category. This allows the opportunity for all chapters to have representation on the Governing Board and helps the chapters to maintain a minimum number of members.

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee recommends adoption of this amendment.

The Executive Board recommends adoption of this amendment with the suggestion to strike the words “for a one- or two-year term.”

PROVISOS:

P&P #3012, Chapter Anniversary Presentations

P&P #3017, Chapter Officers – Nomination and Election Responsibilities

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PROPOSAL #5

Article XVII – Chapters, Paragraph (5)

Amend this article to read:

- (5) A chapter will elect a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and a national director. ~~for a one- or two-year term.~~ If the chapter fails to elect a national director, the chapter president will be the temporary voting delegate for the chapter, unless a temporary delegate is elected or appointed by the chapter president. ~~An associate chapter will elect a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary, and a treasurer for a one-year or two-year term.~~ A chapter may elect in their bylaws to combine the positions of secretary and treasurer into a single position. A chapter has the option of whether to elect an alternate national director. However, a chapter ~~other than associate~~, must maintain at least three (3) members holding the officer positions in that chapter. An FMCA member may hold no more than two chapter offices simultaneously. A member may hold an office in two chapters; however, he/she may not hold the offices of national director or alternate national director in more than one chapter.

COMMITTEE RATIONALE:

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee is recommending this amendment to include chapter presidents for the current Associate Chapters if they do not wish to elect a National Director. This change automatically includes the Chapter President serving as the Chapter Temporary Delegate or the Chapter President having the option to elect a Chapter Temporary Delegate if they wish to have a vote on the Governing Board.

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee recommends adoption of this amendment.

The Executive Board recommends adoption of this amendment with the suggestion to strike the words “for a one- or two-year term” in the first sentence.

PROVISOS:

P&P #3017, Chapter Officers – Nomination and Election Responsibilities