

# Proposed amendment to the **By Laws** of the **Personal Computer Club of Charlotte**

Presented to Executive Committee January 17, 2017 by Bill Barnes.

Approved for presentation to the membership by the Executive Committee January 17, 2017.

Attendees were: Galen Bolin, *President*; Bill Haney, *Vice President*; Bill Barnes, *Treasurer*; and Dewey Williams, *Webmaster*.

## **Proposal:**

In view of reduced membership and the inability or unwillingness of many to participate in administrative functions, we propose to simplify the makeup of the Executive Committee of the PCCC. These recommendations will bring the By Laws in sync with recent practice. Therefore, we propose the following amendments to the By Laws:

*The complete Proposal is available at [http://pc3.org/business/ProposedAmendments\\_170117.pdf](http://pc3.org/business/ProposedAmendments_170117.pdf).*

*The complete original By Laws are available at [http://pc3.org/business/BYLAWS\(1995\).pdf](http://pc3.org/business/BYLAWS(1995).pdf).*

## **Amendment 1**

Modify **Article IV. Officers**; Paragraph 4.0 to read:

PCCC Officers shall consist of a president, vice-president, and treasurer.

Other members ~~in good standing~~ of the Executive Committee shall consist of any member ~~in good standing~~ present at a meeting of the Executive Committee who has attended at least two such meetings in the previous 12 months. A quorum for a meeting of the Executive Committee shall be four, including at least either the president or vice president.

**Article IV** currently reads:

### **Article IV. Officers**

4.0 PCCC officers shall consist of a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, program chairperson, newsletter editor, and other officers as deemed necessary by the executive committee.

4.1 The president shall preside ...

## Amendment 2

Modify **Article VI. Elections**; Paragraph 6.2 to read:

A nominating committee shall present a slate of officers. Nominating committee shall ~~consist of three members of the executive committee,~~ be appointed by the president. In addition nominations shall be solicited by newsletter, personal contact, and from the floor during a regular meeting before elections are held. Nominations may be made by any member or a member in good standing may place themselves on the ballot for any Office.

Add **Article VI. Elections**; Paragraph 6.2.1 to read:

~~If any Office is contested, or if a single candidate volunteers for an Office where the current Officer is retiring; an election shall be held. If no change in the Officers is expected, the president may call for a reaffirmation of the Officers by the membership.~~

If any Office is contested, an election shall be held. If no change in the Officers is expected, or if a single candidate volunteers for an Office where the current Officer is retiring; the president may call for an affirmation of the Officers by the membership.

**Article VI** currently reads:

### **Article VI. Elections**

- 6.0 Elections shall be held annually at a duly announced meeting. A quorum is defined as those paid up PCCC members present and voting.
- 6.1 Officers shall be elected for one year beginning in March and ending in February.
- 6.2 A nominating committee shall present a slate of officers. Nominating committee shall consist of three members of the executive committee, appointed by the president. In addition nominations shall be solicited by newsletter, personal contact, and from the floor during a regular meeting before elections are held. Nominations may be made by any member.
- 6.3 All nominees shall be listed both in the newsletter ...

## Suggestions from Board:

Maryanne:

I would add that wherever the term "member" is used that it read member in good standing" as there may be members at board meetings who are not in good standing.

Dewey Williams

This first sentence needs to be clearer. If one person volunteers for a position where the current Officer is retiring, then is there a need for an election? An election should only be necessary if there iare wo or more candidates, new or incumbent, running for an office.