



DOMINION COMMAND
CONSTITUTION & LAWS COMMITTEE
19 MARCH 2024
MEETING MINUTES

FILE 17-2

In Attendance:	Dave Gordon	Chair
	David Eaton	Vice Chair
	Gerald Budden	Member
	Bill Chafe	Member
	George O'Dair	Member
	Craig Thompson	Member
	Randy Hayley	Committee Coordinator
	Ty Backer	Assistant Committee Coordinator

1. OPENING REMARKS

The meeting convened by zoom video conference at 14:30 hrs EST. The Chair welcomed all.

2. REVIEW OF 29 JAN, 08 FEB MINUTES

The committee accepted and approved the minutes as presented.

3. REVIEW OF UPCOMING COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

The committee discussed the agenda topics for the upcoming committee of the whole meeting which included:

- A review of the C&L responses received regarding suggested improvements to the current Article III process.
- The recommendations to be made to DEC at the April meetings.
- A review of the Article III flowchart
- A discussion on Article III timelines

ACTION: COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

4. OUTLAW MOTORCYCLE CLUB POLICY

The committee was asked to review the current policy and determine if it could be incorporated into the General Bylaws.

The committee reviewed the history and all supporting documents associated with the policy when it was adopted in 2018.

After discussion, the committee asked for a copy of all current national policies to assess and address any common themes at the same time.

The committee asked for the committee coordinator to prepare for the next committee meeting.

ACTION: COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

5. REVIEW OF GBL's GOVERNING SEO VACANCIES

Having recently experienced the process of filling a vacant 1st Vice President and Vice President position the following recommendations were made to update Sections 405 and 406 of the General By-laws as follows:

405.b. Current by-laws reads as follows:

405. b. The Dominion Chair shall ascertain which of the three Dominion Vice-Presidents wish to be candidates for this office and shall then conduct a vote of the members of the Dominion Executive Council to determine which of the Dominion Vice-Presidents shall succeed to this office. A mail vote may be conducted if there is no Dominion Executive Council meeting or Dominion Convention within the specified period. This provision is not mandatory if the vacancy occurs within six (6) months of the next Dominion Convention.

Recommended updates are listed in **red** below:

405. b. The Dominion Chair shall ascertain which of the three Dominion Vice-Presidents wish to be candidates for this office and shall then conduct a vote of the **members of the voting** Dominion Executive Council **members** to determine which of the Dominion Vice-Presidents shall succeed to this office. **An electronic vote using email or other secure electronic means mail-vote-may shall** be conducted if there is no Dominion Executive Council meeting or

Dominion Convention within the specified period. This provision is not mandatory if the vacancy occurs within six (6) months of the next Dominion Convention.

406.b. Current bylaw reads as follows:

406.b. Whenever a vacancy occurs among the three Dominion Vice Presidents for any reason, including election to higher office, the Dominion Executive Council shall fill the vacancy by electing, from among its members, a new Dominion Vice-President. This provision is not mandatory if the vacancy occurs within six months of the next Dominion Convention.

Recommended updates are listed in **red** below:

406.b. Whenever a vacancy occurs among the three Dominion Vice Presidents for any reason, including election to higher office, the **voting** Dominion Executive Council **members** shall fill the vacancy by electing **the new Dominion Vice President from among its voting eligible members. An electronic vote using email or other secure electronic means,** from among its **voting eligible** members, **shall be used to elect** a new Dominion Vice-President. This provision is not mandatory if the vacancy occurs within six months of the next Dominion Convention.

RECOMMENDATION TO DEC

To amend/update Sections 405.b. and 406.b. of the General By-laws as described above.

ACTION: COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

6. ARTICLE VI SECTION 611.a.

The Committee reviewed a recommendation to amend the wording of Section 611.a.

611.a. Current by-law reads as follows:

611. a. A branch may, by By-Law, provide that a member be required to serve one term on the branch executive to be eligible to be elected president, a vice-president or chair and that a member be required to hold membership in the branch for a period of one year to be eligible for election to the branch executive.

Recommended updates are listed in **red** below:

611. a. A branch may, by By-Law, provide that a member be required to serve one term on the branch executive to be eligible to be elected president, a vice-president or **branch** chair and that a member be required to **either** hold membership in the branch, **or in any branch**, for a period of one year to be eligible for election to the branch executive.

RECOMMENDATION TO DEC

To amend/update Section 611.a. of the General By-laws as described above.

ACTION: COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

7. REVIEW OF DOMINION CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

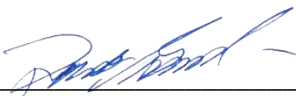
The committee reviewed the two (2) Dominion Convention resolutions received to date.

ACTION: COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

7. CLOSING

The Chair thanked all for their participation and the meeting was adjourned at 16:10 hrs EST.

The recommendations contained within these minutes are subject to the approval of Dominion Executive Council or Dominion Convention as appropriate.



Dave Gordon

Chair



Randy Hayley

Coordinator