

Full constitution and bylaws may be found here: <https://mayneconservancy.ca/constitution-and-bylaws>

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<p>This change introduces children’s non-voting membership and family memberships.</p>	<p>6. A person may, on payment of the prescribed fee, become a member in one of the following categories:</p> <p>(a) Regular member: - a person who has paid the membership fee, and such regular member shall be entitled to vote.</p> <p>(b) Organizational member: – any corporation or business may be represented by a person authorized on behalf of the corporation who shall be entitled to vote</p>	<p>6. A person may, on payment of the prescribed fee, become a member in one of the following categories:</p> <p>(a) Regular member: - a person who has paid the membership fee, and such regular member shall be entitled to vote.</p> <p>(b) Organizational member: – any corporation or business may be represented by a person authorized on behalf of the corporation who shall be entitled to vote</p> <p>(c) Children’s membership: children under the age of 12 shall not be entitled to vote but shall be entitled to all other membership privileges.</p> <p>(d) Family membership: individuals living in one household and defining themselves as a family. Individuals 12 years of age and older shall be entitled to vote.</p>
<p>This change specifies the rights of voting (vs non-voting members.</p>	<p>8. Members of the Society shall have the right to select a Board of Directors from among themselves in accordance with Part 5 of these by-laws; and also have the right to participate in and take an active role in the association’s activities subject to any constraints set out elsewhere in these by-laws or the Act.</p>	<p>8. Voting members of the Society shall have the right to select a Board of Directors from among themselves in accordance with Part 5 of these by-laws; and also have the right to participate in and take an active role in the association’s activities subject to any constraints set out elsewhere in these by-laws or the Act.</p>
<p>This change simplifies the membership year for administrative purposes.</p>	<p>9. The membership year shall be the calendar year but a member shall remain in good standing until the Annual General Meeting following the end of the calendar year.</p> <p>(a) A membership taken out during the last two months of the calendar year will take effect immediately and be applied to the following calendar year.</p>	<p>9. The membership shall be the calendar year.</p>
<p>This change removes gendered language.</p>	<p>13. All members are in good standing except a member who has failed to pay his current annual membership fee or any other subscription or debt due and owing by him to the society, and he is not in good</p>	<p>13. All members are in good standing except members who have failed to pay their current annual membership fee or any other subscription or debt due and owing by them to the society, and</p>

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See above	<p>25. (a) A resolution proposed at a meeting must be seconded and the chairperson of a meeting may move or second a resolution.</p> <p>(b) The chairperson of a meeting may exercise his or her right as a member to vote.</p>	<p>25. (a) A resolution proposed at a meeting must be seconded and the chairperson of a meeting may move or second a resolution.</p> <p>(b) The chairperson of a meeting may exercise their right as a member to vote.</p>
This change allows resolutions to be passed by email.	41. A resolution in writing, signed by all the directors and placed within the minutes of the directors, is as valid and effective as if regularly passed at a meeting of directors.	41. A resolution in writing or via email, passed by a majority of the directors and placed within the minutes of the directors, is as valid and effective as if regularly passed at a meeting of directors.
This change adds the register of members to the Secretary's duties	<p>44. The secretary shall:</p> <p>(a) Conduct the correspondence of the Society;</p> <p>(b) Issue notice of meetings of the Society and directors;</p> <p>(c) Keep minutes of all meetings of the Society and directors;</p> <p>(d) Have custody of all records and documents of the Society except those required to be kept by the treasurer.</p>	<p>44. The secretary shall:</p> <p>(a) Conduct the correspondence of the Society;</p> <p>(b) Issue notice of meetings of the Society and directors;</p> <p>(c) Keep minutes of all meetings of the Society and directors;</p> <p>(d) Have custody of all records and documents of the Society except those required to be kept by the treasurer.</p> <p>(e) Maintain the register of members.</p>
This change removes the register of members from the Treasurer's duties.	<p>45. The treasurer shall:</p> <p>(a) Keep such financial records, including books of account, as are necessary to comply with the <i>Societies Act</i>; and</p> <p>(b) Render financial statements to the directors, members and others when required; and</p> <p>(c) Maintain the register of members.</p>	<p>45. The treasurer shall:</p> <p>(a) Keep such financial records, including books of account, as are necessary to comply with the <i>Societies Act</i>; and</p> <p>(b) Render financial statements to the directors, members and others when required;</p>