

Chicagoland USBC Association Bylaws Amendment Proposals

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The following document contains the proposals of the Legislative Committee for amendments to the Bylaws of the Chicagoland USBC Association. These amendments are being proposed for codification to the standard Merged Local Association Bylaws of the USBC as well as clarification.

The Association must abide by state corporate laws and may adopt additional provisions provided they do not conflict with the mandatory bylaws or state laws. The appropriate provision of state law takes precedence over the bylaws.

THE FOLLOWING CAN BE VOTED ON BY ALL CERTIFIED USBC MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE ANNUAL MEETING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 1

Article V: Board of Directors - Management

The Legislative Committee is proposing the following amendment to Article V under **Section B – Eligibility**:

Under point 1 add the following subpoints:

- a. Must have attended at least one (1) of the last two (2) Annual Meetings.

Move point 3 from Article VI – OFFICERS and clarify “previous association” in subpoint b.

3. A candidate for an officer position on the board must be:
 - a. A USBC member in good standing of the association at the time of election and throughout their term.
 - b. Must have served as an officer and/or director for total of at least three (3) years on the CMBA, CWBA, CMJBA or the current Chicagoland USBC Association.

If approved, Article V, Section B will read:

Section B. Eligibility

A candidate for the board must be:

1. A USBC member in good standing of the association at the time of election and throughout their term.
 - a. Must have attended at least one (1) of the last two (2) Annual Meetings.
2. Elected or appointed without regard to race, color, religion, gender, disability, national origin, or age, other than the minimum age of 14, unless state laws mandate a specific age, and be reasonably representative of the membership.
 - a. Any member of the board authorized to sign contracts or acting as a signatory on association accounts must be a minimum age of 18.
 - b. At least 20% of the board must be elected by and from the Youth Committee.
 - c. A maximum of three bowling center proprietors may serve on the board at one time. A proprietor is an individual who is the owner, partner, or corporate officer of a bowling center or group of bowling centers. Excluded from the definition of proprietor is an individual who owns 25% or less of the equity shares, or who is inactive in the management of the bowling center and remains so during a term as an officer or director.
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- b. Must have served as an officer and/or director for total of at least three (3) years on the CMBA, CWBA, CMJBA or the current Chicagoland USBC Association.

Additional eligibility requirements, if any, will be developed by the Nominating Committee to be approved by the membership.

(note: If approved, Article VI – Officers will be codified due to the removal of a Section. Section C will become Section B, Section D will become Section C and Section E will become Section D.)

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 2

Article V: Board of Directors - Management

The Legislative Committee recommends in **Section C. Election of Directors**, that a “plurality” vote be sufficient for election as a Director of the Association.

The proposal is submitted with the additional wording added for codification of the Chicagoland USBC Association to the USBC Merged Local Association Bylaws. The committee feels that the adoption of a “plurality” vote is sufficient for election as a Director of the Chicagoland USBC Association.

If adopted, **Section C** will read:

Section C. Election of Directors

Directors are elected by majority vote* unless plurality vote ** is adopted by the members/Youth Representatives. **Directors whose positions are subject to election by the adult members are elected by plurality vote of adult members, officers and directors who hold adult membership, present and voting, from:**

1. A slate provided by the Nominating Committee.
2. Nominations from the floor.

Qualifications must be submitted to the Nominating Committee, in a format specified by the committee.

At least 20% of the board is elected by the Youth Committee.

Voting will be by ballot if there is more than one nominee for each position.

**If a majority vote is not reached on the first ballot, the candidate receiving the lowest vote total is dropped and balloting continues until a candidate receives a majority vote.*

***A plurality vote is the largest number of votes cast for a given candidate. The candidate(s) receiving the most votes is (are) elected.*