



May 10, 2017

RCI Annual Meeting

Resolution re: Amendment to Bylaws

RESOLVED: That the RCI Bylaws be amended as follows, effective immediately:

1. Article I shall be amended by adding the following:

In 2017, the phrase “the advancement of” was removed from the name, where used. The new name “Royal Canadian Institute for Science” was adopted in certain situations. While not part of the official name, which remains the Royal Canadian Institute, the phrase helps to more succinctly communicate the purpose of the organization.

2. Article III, part 2(h) shall be deleted.

3. Article III, part 3(b) shall be amended as follows:

b. The Membership year commences ~~1st October~~ July 1 and ends ~~30th September~~ June 30 of the following year. Membership fees shall be due for renewal on the first day of ~~November~~ August in each year.

4. The following shall be added to the end of Article II, part 3:

f. Membership shall not be transferrable for any reason.

5. Article III, part 4 shall be amended as follows:

Members, regardless of category, shall each be entitled to one vote and shall be eligible to hold office in the Institute.

6. Throughout the document:

(a) the term “Council” shall be replaced by “Board of Trustees” or “the Board of Trustees”, as appropriate;

(b) the term “President” shall be replaced by “Chair”;

(c) the term “First Vice-President” shall be replaced by “Vice-Chair”;

(d) the term “Second Vice-President” shall be deleted;

(e) the term “Secretary” shall be replaced by “Corporate Secretary”

(f) the term “Executive Secretary” shall be replaced by “Executive Director”



7. Article V, part 1 shall be amended to reflect four, rather than five, officers, due to the deletion of the Second Vice-President position.

8. Article V, part 1 shall be amended from “eleven additional Councillors” to “a minimum of seven additional Trustees”.

9. Article VI, part 2(g), last sentence shall be replaced by the text of Article V(3) in its entirety. Article V(3) shall be deleted. The Vice Chair shall be added to the Nominating Committee.

10. Article VI(1)(a), the word “monthly” shall be amended to “quarterly”.

11. Article VI(2)(a) shall be amended to add the Past-Chair to its membership.

12. Article VI(2)(c), first sentence, shall be amended to add, at the end of the sentence, the words “and fundraising”.

13. Article VI(2)(e) shall be deleted in its entirety.

14. Article VI(2)(f) shall be amended as follows:

~~Sandford Fleming Medal Award~~ Award Committee: This Committee shall recommend to the Board of Trustees~~Council~~ annually a nominee for each of the awards presented by the RCI, including the Sandford Fleming Medal, the Logan Award, and any Scholarships provided by RCI. This Committee shall consist of the Chair~~President~~ and Advisory Board.

15. Article VIII(1) shall be amended by adding the following:

The Chair shall review, at least annually, the performance of the Executive Director and make recommendations to the Board.

16. Article VI(2)(h) shall be added as follows:

VI (2) h. Advisory Board: The Advisory Board shall consist of the three immediate past Chairs.

17. Article IX shall be added as follows:

Article IV – Fiscal Year

1. The fiscal year of the RCI shall begin on July 1 and end June 30.