

After further review following the presentation to the Board of Directors on September 12, 2018, on behalf of the Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee, I move -

ARTICLE XVI BYLAWS AND STANDING RULES COMMITTEE Bylaws and Standing Rules are the rules adopted by an organization for the governing of its members and the regulation of its affairs. This Committee is responsible for the formulation and modification of any FFGC Bylaw and/or Standing Rule.

PROVISO: This amendment would be approved at the April 2019 Annual Meeting by attending delegates. For the term of office 2019 -2021, members of the Bylaws Committee would be appointed by the President in consultation with the appointed Chairman.

Section 1 MEMBERSHIP:

- a. The Bylaws Committee shall consist of 7 voting members: President, 1st Vice President, Chairman appointed by the President, 2 members appointed by the President in consultation with the Chairman (one member of whom is a former FFGC President), and two elected by the FFGC BOD. The Parliamentarian will serve as a non-voting member.
- b. Vacancies shall be filled by the President subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

Section 2 ELIGIBILITY: Members of the Bylaws Committee shall have served for four immediate past consecutive years and currently serve on the FFGC Board of Directors

Section 3 ELECTION: The Nominating Committee for the Bylaws Committee would be elected in the Fall of the even numbered year (beginning 9/20) , Bylaws Committee members elected in Winter of the odd numbered year to begin serving at the Post Convention meeting of the odd numbered year. Elected for a two- year term with an option for a second two- year term. (Committee members appointed do not have a term limit restriction.)

Section 4 PROCEDURE: All requests submitted to the Bylaws/Standing Rules Committee must be in writing and include date of request, rationale and be signed by the person/committee chairman making the request. (Standing Rule # 30). Requests should be received not less than six (6) weeks prior to the next Board of Directors meeting. Notification of decision with rationale will be given to the person/committee chairman making the request when decision has been made. If approved within the Bylaws Committee, the Bylaw/Standing Rule will be presented to the Board of Directors for approval. Standing Rules may be amended or adopted by vote of the Board of Directors only. Bylaws submitted for adoption or amending shall adhere ARTICLE XXI.

Section 5 DUTIES: The Bylaws Committee duties include but are not limited to -

- a. Immediately following the Winter Board of Directors meeting, all Bylaw changes to be addressed at the Annual Convention must be prepared and forwarded to the FI Gardener Chairman for the Spring issue. This is in accordance with ARTICLE XX, Amendments, Section I.
- b. Immediately following the Annual Convention, a list of all Bylaws and Standing Rules adopted from one convention through the year to the next annual meeting are to be prepared and submitted –
 1. In the even number year to be published in the BOI Supplement.
 2. In the odd number year (end of each administration) the Master Bylaws and Standing Rules needs to be updated for publishing in the BOI.
- c. Immediately following the Annual Convention, the Master Bylaws and Standing Rules are updated on the website.

A big thanks to the members of the Bylaws Committee. Please stand: Claudia Bates, Sue Angle, Carol Hall, Susan Mello, Margaret Chodosh, Janice Hamlin and our Parliamentarian Lorene Junkin.

