



## PROPOSED BFO CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

The proposed amendments to BFO's Constitution and By-Law No. 1 are administrative in nature. The first update would revise the definition of a voting delegate to include current BFO directors for the duration of the Annual General Meeting. The remaining updates would introduce clearer language outlining the voting procedures used by BFO.

Any change to the BFO constitution and by-laws, should be approved by two-thirds majority vote at the BFO AGM or special meeting of members.

### Definitions – see Article 1

**Current:** "Voting Delegate" means (a) an individual appointed by a Branch to vote at a Meeting of Members on behalf of the members of the Branch in accordance with Section 9(8); (b) an individual on the Advisory Council; or (c) a Director.

**Proposed:** "Voting Delegate" means (a) an individual appointed by a Branch to vote at a Meeting of Members on behalf of the members of the Branch in accordance with Section 9(8); (b) an individual on the Advisory Council; or (c) a Director. **Each person that is a member of the Board of Directors, at the commencement of the Annual General Meeting, is a voting delegate at the Annual General Meeting**

### Meetings of the Association's Members – see Article 4 Section (8)

**Current: Votes to Govern.** All questions proposed for consideration of the Members shall be determined by a majority vote of the Voting Delegates at a Meeting of Members, unless required otherwise by the Act or the By-Laws. Every Voting Delegate shall have one (1) vote. The chair of a Meeting of Members shall be entitled, as a Member, to vote. In the case of an equality of votes, the chair of the Meeting of Members shall be entitled to cast a second, tie-breaking vote.

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### Meetings of the Association's Members – see Article 4 Section (10)

**Current: Change in License Fee Deductions.** A recommendation by the Association to make a change in the license fee deductions authorized under the BCMA shall be made only by a vote in favour thereof of



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## By-Laws and Effective Date – See Article 16

**Current: By-Law and Effective Date.** The Board may make, amend or repeal any by-laws that regulate the activities or affairs of the Association. Any such By-Laws, amendment or repeal shall be effective from the date of the resolution of the Board until the next Meeting of Members where it must be confirmed, rejected or amended by the Members by a majority vote. If the by-laws, amendment, or repeal is confirmed or confirmed as amended by the Members it remains effective in the form in which it was confirmed or confirmed as amended. The By-Laws, amendment or repeal ceases to have effect if it is not submitted to the Members at the next Meeting of Members or if it is rejected by the Members at the meeting.

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## QUESTIONS?

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