Proposed By-law Change Announced

In accordance with our by-laws, Article XI, Section A, the BOD is announcing a proposed by-law change:

Existing: Article VI, Section D—Retiring Directors. A retiring director may not succeed himself as Director for a period of one year. He may, however, run for the position of an Officer of the Association.

Proposed: Article VI, Section D—Director's Terms. A Director may not succeed himself for more than one term whereupon he must retire for a period of at least one year. He may, however, run for the position of an officer of the Association.

Existing: Article VI, Section A—Nominating Committee. The Board of Directors, shall within sixty (60) days preceding the Annual Meeting appoint a Nominating Committee of three (3) voting members of the Association not more than one of whom shall be a member of the Board of Directors and such committee shall nominate one or more Class A members as candidates for President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer for one year and two or more Class A members for Directors for three (3) years. This committee is to be chaired by the immediate Past President of the Association.

Proposed: Article VI, Section A—Nominating Committee. The Board of Directors, shall within sixty (60) days preceding the Annual Meeting, appoint a Nominating Committee of three (3) voting members of the Association not more than one of whom shall be a member of the Board of Directors and such committee shall nominate one or more Class A members as candidates for President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer for one year and two or more Class A members for vacant Directors positions. This committee is to be chaired by the immediate Past President of the Association.

Under our current by-laws, a director who is elected to serve out an existing term may be able to serve only one or two years and then have to vacate the BOD. This happens when a director either resigns or becomes an officer before his term expires. This change will allow an individual to be elected to the BOD for a full term before he must decide to vacate the BOD or run for an officer's position. Many other associations operate under this parameter. The purpose is not to prolong a director's term, but to help in maintaining continuity in the leadership of the association.

As always, please call a director if you have any questions about this change. This will come up for a vote on June 14, 1994 at the general meeting.

Stephen Potter, CGCS
Past President, MAAGCS & Chairman, Nominating Committee

Did You Know...

that the origin of the name of that lowly, pesky weed known as the dandelion is a fiercely proud one? The word comes from French dent de lion, "lion's tooth." It refers, of course, to the way the leaves resemble the toothy snarl of a lion. For several hundred years the dandelion also went by the English name "lion's tooth."

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