

FHANA Bylaw Committee Minutes: June 13, 2022

Attendance: Allison Thomas, Charlotte Dumford, Claudia Rayner, Nina Miller

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm Eastern

The committee discussed the existing bylaw 13.1 and the issues that have been raised in regards to it.

Current Bylaw 13.1 (as of June 13, 2022)

- **13.1 Amendments.** The Board shall have the power and authority to alter, amend or repeal these Bylaws by the vote of a majority of all the members of the Board. Each such change to the Bylaws shall then be voted on by the membership, whereby 75% of the voting membership who cast votes must be opposed to the change for it to fail. The Board shall send notice of any proposed change to the Bylaws to the membership via electronic mail (if possible) or regular mail. The membership will have fourteen (14) days from the date of the email or notice to vote in favor of or opposition to the proposed change to the Bylaws and the membership shall communicate their votes to the Board via email and/or regular mail.

Changes were made to the wording to ensure that both the FHANA membership and the Board of Directors needed to strongly support a Bylaw Change in order for it to proceed.

**Motion made by Nina Miller to present the following proposed change to Bylaw 13.1 to the Board.**

**Seconded by Claudia Rayner.**

- **13.1 Amendments.** The Board shall have the power and authority to initiate alterations, amendments, or repeals of these Bylaws by the vote of a super majority (two thirds) of all the members of the Board. Each such change to the Bylaws shall then be voted on by the membership, whereby 75% of the voting membership who cast votes must vote in favour of the change for it to succeed. The Board shall send notice and explanation of any proposed change to the Bylaws to the membership via electronic mail (if possible) or regular mail. The membership will be given a minimum of seven (7) days to review the proposed change. Ballots will then be sent to the membership via electronic mail or regular mail. The membership will have fourteen (14) days from the date of the ballot to vote in favor of or opposition to the proposed change to the Bylaws. The results of the vote will be published to the membership within three (3) business days.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

The committee requested that the board consider conducting the vote for this bylaw change as soon as possible rather than waiting for the next Board of Directors election as it needs to precede all other Bylaw changes.

Next meeting: July 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm Eastern.

Nina motions to adjourn. Claudia seconds. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM Eastern