

**PEI 55+ Games Society AGM
Motion to Amend the Bylaws
September 20th, 2021**

Motion to amend bylaw Preamble

Present Preamble

The Prince Edward Island 55 + Games Society Inc. is a community based volunteer and a not for profit organization governed by a Board of Directors and comprised of citizens interested in the objects and purpose of the society. It was incorporated in December 1997. *The Society's Constitution and Bylaws were further amended (as follows) at the Annual General Meeting on November 17, 2008.* The Society is a member of the Canada 55+ Games Association.

Proposed Amendment

The Society's Constitution and Bylaws were further amended (as follows) at the Annual General Meeting on September 20, 2021.

Motion to amend bylaw Article 5: Membership

Present Bylaw: Article 5

Membership

- 5.1 The members of the Society are the applicants for incorporation of the Society and those persons who have subsequently become members in accordance with these Bylaws and in either case, have not ceased to be members.
- 5.2 There should be two classes of membership; individual and life (a and b)

(a) Individual:

Individual membership is open to all persons 55 years of age or older by the end of the calendar year in which the 55 + Games are held and who reside in Prince Edward Island. Upon payment of the required administrative fees, an Individual member shall have one vote at annual or special general meetings and may hold office in the Society.

(b) Life A and B

- a) Life membership: is open to all persons 55 years of age or older by the end of the calendar year in which the application is made and who resides in Prince Edward Island who has paid a onetime special lifetime membership fee in such amount as determined at an Annual General Meeting of the Society. Upon payment of the required administrative fees, a life member shall have one vote at annual or special general meetings and may hold office in the Society.
- b) Honorary: The Board of Directors at a meeting of the Board may approve issuance of an Honorary Membership to an individual or organization where it deems such action would be in the interest of, and beneficial to the Society. Honorary Membership does not carry voting privileges.

Proposed Amendment: Article 5

Membership and Honourary Recognition

5.1 The members of the Society are the applicants for incorporation of the Society and those persons who have subsequently become members in accordance with these Bylaws and in either case, have not ceased to be members.

5.2 Two classes of membership exist with the 55+ Games: individual membership and lifetime membership

(b) Lifetime

Lifetime membership: is open to all Prince Edward Island residents who are 55 years of age or older by the end of the calendar year in which the application is made. A lifetime membership fee as of 2021, is \$100.00 and is to be paid to the Executive Director. Once the fee is paid, Lifetime members are not required to pay the annual administration fee associated with each individual games. Lifetime members are also entitled to one vote at special and annual general meetings.

5.3 Honourary Recognition

Nominations may be made by any member of the 55 + Games Society to recognize an individual or an organization that has made a significant contribution to the PEI 55 + Games. Nomination forms may be obtained online or from the Executive Director. A nomination form includes a short biography, accomplishments and the reasons for nominating the individual or organization. The completed form is to be submitted to the Executive Director. The deadline for receiving nominations is December 31 of each year. All nominations will be considered by the Board of Directors at the January meeting. The maximum number of Honourary Recognition awards may include one individual and one organization in any given year. There is no obligation for the Board to award a Honourary Recognition every year. Recipients and their nominators will be notified by the Executive Director by January 31. Both will be invited to attend a presentation during the 55 Plus Winter Games at which time the President of the Board of Directors will announce the recipient(s), they will be presented with an engraved plaque.

Article 7.

Voting at an Annual or Special Meeting:

7.1 Every member in good standing, excluding Honourary members shall be entitled to one vote. (Any member may speak to a motion.)

Proposed Amendment

Voting at an Annual or Special Meeting:

7.1 Every member in good standing, individual or lifetime, shall be entitled to one vote. (Any member may speak to a motion.)