

Abbotsford Rugby Football Club

Bylaw Amendments

The Abbotsford Rugby Football Club board proposes the following amendments to the bylaws. These will be voted on by the membership at the 2020 Annual General Meeting of members.

Proposal 1:

Current Bylaw:

5.01 Election of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Directors

At each annual general meeting of members of the ARFC, the members shall elect:

- (i) The president, who shall have a term of office not less than one year
- (ii) The vice-president, who shall have a term of office not less than one year
- (iii) The secretary, who shall have a term of office not less than one year
- (iv) Eight directors who each shall have a term of office of not less one year
- (v) Such other members of the Board as may be required.

Proposed bylaw:

5.02 Election of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Directors

At each annual general meeting of members of the ARFC, the members shall elect:

- (vi) The president, who shall have a term of office not less than two years
- (vii) The vice-president, who shall have a term of office not less than two years
- (viii) The secretary, who shall have a term of office not less than two years
- (ix) Eight directors who each shall have a term of office of not less two years
- (x) Such other members of the Board as may be required.

Rationale:

The Board believe this will help with continuity of the board in their various positions. The positions on the board are complex and the continuity is important to ensure success of the board.

Proposal #2

Current bylaw

5.01 Treasurer

The treasurer shall be appointed by a two-thirds vote of the Board at the first meeting of the Board following the Annual General Meeting for a period of not less than one year.

Proposed bylaw

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Rationale – see above

Proposal #3

Current bylaw

5.01 Terms of Office

The term of office for the president, vice president and secretary shall commence June 01 in the year of the election to office, and shall continue for the longer of a period of one year or a period ending when a successor is elected

- 5.02** The term of office of directors other than the president and the vice-president shall commence June 01 in the year of the election to office and shall continue for the longer of a period of one year or a period ending when a successor is elected.

Proposed bylaw

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The term of office of directors other than the president and the vice-president shall commence June 01 in the year of the election to office and shall continue for the longer of a period of two years or a period ending when a successor is elected.

Rationale – same as above

Proposal #4

Current bylaw

- 5.10** The treasurer shall provide an annual audit of the books of the ARFC by a firm of chartered accountants or certified general accountants, and shall cause to be presented at the first general meeting of members of the ARFC that is held following the receipt of the annual financial statement from the appointed auditor, a copy of the annual financial statement of the fiscal year ending March 31st of each year.

Proposed Bylaw

- 5.11** The treasurer shall provide an annual audit of the books of the ARFC by a firm of chartered accountants or certified general accountants, and shall cause to be presented at the first general meeting of members of the ARFC that is held following the receipt of the annual financial statement from the appointed auditor, a copy of the annual financial statement of the fiscal year ending May 31st of each year.

Rationale: It is much easier to do the yearend once the season has concluded. Most of the expenses and revenue has come in and the end of May is the end of the Men's and Women's season. It also ties in well with the gaming grant application which is also due on May 31st.

Proposal #5

Current bylaw

- 6.01** The Nominating Committee will recommend candidates to the Board as soon as is practical and no later than April 20th;

Proposed bylaw

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Rationale: April 20th is much too early for nominations for a board in which elections will be in late May/early June.

Proposal #6

Current bylaw

7.01 Annual General Meeting

The annual general meeting of members of the ARFC shall be held after May 01 and on or before June 01 in each year at the time and place determined by the Board. Notice of the annual general meeting of members of the ARFC and the day named in the notice for the meeting shall be provided as per section 7.04, 7.05, 7.06, 7.07, 7.08, 7.08.

Proposed bylaw

7.02 Annual General Meeting

The annual general meeting of members of the ARFC shall be held after May 01 and on or before June 06 in each year at the time and place determined by the Board. Notice of the annual general meeting of members of the ARFC and the day named in the notice for the meeting shall be provided as per section 7.04, 7.05, 7.06, 7.07, 7.08, 7.08.

Rationale: By extending the date to June 6th it gives the executive more flexibility in the schedule to hold AGM and also gives time for full financial reports.

Proposal #7

Current bylaw

8.01 Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the ARFC shall commence on April 01 in each year.

Proposed bylaw

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The fiscal year of the ARFC shall commence on May 31 in each year.

Rationale: Same as above with regards to fiscal year end change.