

For the September 12, 2021 Annual General Meeting of Grande Prairie Live Theatre Society

Explanation of Proposed Changes to the GPLT By-Laws

3.0 adds a time when a paid membership must be purchased in advance for that member to have voting privileges at a meeting.

3.4 clarifies a shared responsibility to maintain the membership list

4.1.2 adds new requirements to how a Special General Meeting is called. Gives more rights to members to ensure a Special General Meeting is called in a timely fashion.

4.1.3 includes new virtual attendance rules to comply with the Electronic Transactions Act.

4.1.4 includes virtual attendance in the definition of members present in person.

4.2.1 adds a requirement for a minimum number (9) of Board meetings each year.

4.2.3 and 4.2.4 include the new virtual attendance rules.

4.2.5 A new clause clarifying the Board's authority to create committees and to remove committee members.

5.1.1 clarifies the current practise of electing a Youth Member between the ages of 16 and 20.

5.2 adds a new Board position, "President Elect", and deletes the position of "Past President".

5.3 adds and clarifies new term limits and election process for all Board members.

5.4 adds a new category for removing a Board member for non-attendance.

5.5 adds new procedures to be followed if there is a future vacancy in the President, President Elect and Vice-President positions.

5.6 adds new job descriptions for all Board positions. Every Board position has defined responsibilities. Every person who agrees to be nominated for a Board position will have to agree to contribute to the Board based on these new job descriptions.

5.6 the 3-year commitment by the Vice-President remains with changes in the duties in each of the 3 years. In the first year the Vice-President focuses on production support. They learn how GPLT works.

In the second year the Vice-President moves into the new President Elect position. The President Elect has the responsibility to lead the selection of the next season's live theatre productions.

In the third year the President Elect moves in the President's position. The focus is on leadership of GPLT including policy review and development. This is the President's last year on the Board for at least 2 years.

5.6.7 allows for continuity on the Board during the first year of the new job descriptions. The current President stays for their final year as President. The current Vice-President moves into the newly created position of President Elect to plan the next season.

6.2 is changed to follow current GPLT practices and add the President Elect to the list of approved signing officers.

7.0 is changed to follow current practice.

11.0 and 12.0 are added as common practices.

13 is added to provide a detailed dispute resolution process.