

Proposed Changes to Pec Playhouse Theatre Bylaws

To be voted on by the Membership January 9, 2021

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III. MEMBERSHIP

A. Eligibility

1. Membership in the Organization is open to any individual, age 12 or older. An individual will be considered eligible for membership when the individual has either:
 - a. accumulated at least ~~at least~~ **30** hours of service or participation ~~during the 12 months prior to the~~ **since the most recent Annual Meeting**, OR
 - b. paid in full the current membership dues as established by the Board of Directors.
2. All potential members must submit a membership application to the Secretary. The application must be accepted by a majority of the Board of Directors. The Board reserves the right to deny or revoke the membership of any individual for any just cause or action it deems necessary or appropriate. In order to nominate, vote, or be elected at the Annual Meeting, the membership application must be received by the Secretary by the December 1 prior to the January election.
3. Membership in the organization is open to any individual meeting the above requirements, without discrimination based on age, race, creed, color, national origin, gender or otherwise.
4. Once a membership is accepted, it is valid **through adjournment of the next Annual Meeting.** ~~until December 31 the following year. (Example: If an application is accepted in May 2016, the membership would expire on December 31, 2017.)~~

2. Special Membership Meetings

- a. The Board may call a special meeting of the membership at a time and place it shall select.
- b. A Special Membership Meeting may also be called by five (5) members of the organization. These members must give public notice of the meeting as outlined in Section III, C-3-b. The notice must state the purpose of the meeting, including a proposed agenda.
- c. Only the business pertaining to the reason of the meeting may be conducted at a Special Membership Meeting.
- d. If there is an insufficient number of Members on record to meet the quorum requirement in Section III – C – 4, the Membership roll in effect at the most recent Annual Meeting, plus any new Members approved since that meeting, shall be used as the Membership roll for the Special Meeting.**

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IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. Powers

1. A Board of Directors shall manage all affairs of the Organization, and shall be responsible for the financial and artistic direction and growth of the Organization.

B. Composition

1. The Board shall consist of nine (9) Directors, who are elected by the membership.
2. The membership shall strive to elect Directors with a balance of backgrounds in theater, public relations, fundraising and business.

C. Eligibility

1. Nominees for the Board:

- a. must be a member in good standing of the Organization
- b. must have reached the age of majority in the State of Illinois at the time their term as Director begins
- c. **must have served on a PPT committee for at least one full year within the past five years**
- d. cannot be a Board member of any other theatre organization which shares patrons/audience, financial support, or volunteers with the Organization
- e. cannot be elected if the term they wish to serve exceeds the limits specified in IV-G