Recreation Nova Scotia By-Law Amendments – October 2026

Amendment 1 of 2:

Removal of Recording Officer to be replaced by an additional Director at Large

By-law Section	Current Wording	Proposed Wording
3.1 Board of Directors	The governance of the Association shall be vested in the Board of Directors, who shall consist of: • President • Past President or President Elect • Vice President Finance • Vice President of Monitoring • Recording Officer • One Director at Large student representative • Four Directors at Large • Executive Director (ex-officio non-voting)	The governance of the Association shall be vested in the Board of Directors, who shall consist of: • President • Past President or President Elect • Vice President Finance • Vice President of Monitoring • One Director at Large student representative • Five Directors at Large • Executive Director (ex-officio non-voting)
3.2 Terms of Office	Two of the Directors at Large shall serve for two (2) years and two of the Directors at Large will serve for one (1) year.	Three of the Directors at Large shall serve for two (2) years and two of the Directors at Large shall serve for one (1) year.

Rationale:

The traditional responsibilities of the Recording Officer, including the preparation, maintenance and storage of meeting records, are now supported through the organization's electric record-keeping systems and digital document management practices. As a result, the duties of the Recording Officer are no longer reflective of how these functions are carried out in practice.

Replacing the Recording Officer with a Director At Large modernizes the By-Laws, better aligns the Board's structure with the operational needs, and provides greater flexibility in recruiting and assigning responsibilities while maintaining appropriate oversight of Board records and governance. When the Executive Director is unable to attend a meeting, or during in-camera sessions where staff are not present, the Board will designate a Director to record the meeting minutes.

Amendment 2 of 2:
Reduction of Quorum for Annual General Meetings or Special Meetings

By-law Section	Current Wording	Proposed Wording
2.5	Business shall be transacted at Annual General Meetings or Special Meetings when a minimum of 50 voting members are present.	Business shall be transacted at Annual General Meetings or Special Meetings when a minimum of 25 voting members are present.

Rationale:
The proposed amendment reduces the quorum requirement for meetings of the membership from 50 members to 25 members.

This change reflects the organization's historical Annual General Meeting attendance and establishes a quorum requirement that is more representative of typical member participation. The current threshold has, at times, created challenges in achieving quorum, which can delay the conduct of essential governance business and decision-making.

The proposed quorum of 25 members will help ensure that the organization can conduct its business in a timely and effective manner while maintaining meaningful member representation. The revised threshold is also consistent with governance practices adopted by many non-profit organizations of a similar size and membership profile.