

## Amendments to the Constitution as of 20<sup>th</sup> October 2011

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**From:**

5.3. All eligible members (see 3. and 5.4.) have the right to stand for office.

**To Read:**

5.3 All eligible members have the right to nominate and be nominated for office. (A member is "eligible" when they adhere to 4.2, 5.4 and have paid all dues at the time of the Annual General Meeting)

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6.2 Where an unopposed candidate is not approved, the President shall call a General Meeting to allow the Nominations Committee to present a new candidate for election.

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6.2 If, for any reason, there is a single unfilled Board position at the time of the general election, the incoming Board shall be responsible for finding a member to fill this position.

6.3 If there is more than 1 unfilled position or in the case where more than 1 unopposed candidate is not elected, then the President shall call a General Meeting to allow the Nominations Committee to present new candidates for election.

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- 7.6 Voting for officers at the Annual General Meeting/Extraordinary General Meeting will be by a simple majority of votes returned from those present, as well as from official absentee ballots sent by mail to the Nomination's Committee Chairlady or her deputy/member of the Nominations Committee, by the designated deadline. (With the exception of Dissolution, see 12).

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- Address the membership at the latest in the January issue of the ZIWA News, inviting nominations for candidates for positions on the Executive Board.
  - Ensure that there is at least one candidate for each position on the Executive Board and that all nominated candidates are eligible (see 3. and 5.4.) and willing to serve.
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