PROPOSED BRANCH BY-LAW CHANGE

SUBMITTED BY: Executive Committee

Current By-Law:

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Rationale:

We have seen a pattern evolve when there is too long of a break between meetings. When a Branch has a long break, for example not meeting during the summer, it is not able to conduct necessary business. Also, the Branch loses momentum and has difficulty bringing back members. This is particularly a challenge when a Branch skips several meetings prior to the election of officers.