

# Central Alberta Co-op Ltd. Proposed Bylaw Changes

# **Existing Bylaw:**

# 2.13 Withdrawal of Members

- (a) A member may apply to withdraw from membership in the Cooperative by giving to the secretary of the Cooperative at least six months' notice of the intention to withdraw.
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- (a) A member may apply to withdraw from membership in the Cooperative by giving to the secretary of the Cooperative at least six months' notice of the intention to withdraw.
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### **Existing Bylaw:**

#### 4.05 Record Date

(b) Only those members whose names have been entered on the members' register by the record date are entitled to vote at the meeting of the members.

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(b) Only those members whose names have been entered on the members' register by the record date and accepted by the board are entitled to vote at the meeting of the members.

# **Existing Bylaw:**

# 7.02 Qualifications

- (vii) is an individual who is related to an employee of the Co-operative in any of the following ways:
  - A. spouse;
  - B. person living with the employee in an arrangement equivalent to a spouse;
  - C. sibling;
  - D. child;
  - E. parent;
  - F. grandchild;
  - G. grandparent; or
  - H. spouse of any of the people listed in (C) to (G) inclusive: or
- (viii) has an account with the Cooperative that is more than 90 days in arrears.

# **Proposed change:**

Remove vii completely.

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### **Existing Bylaw:**

#### 7.04 Nominating Procedure

b) A candidate for director must be nominated in writing on the form provided by the directors for that purpose. Nominations must be signed by five members and be received by the secretary of the Cooperative no later than 6:00 pm, March 1st of each year.

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b) A candidate for director must be nominated in writing on the form provided by the directors for that purpose. Nominations must be signed by five members and be received by the secretary board of the Cooperative no later than 6:00 pm, March 1st of each year 45 days before the annual meeting of members.

# **Existing Bylaw:**

### 7.06 Scrutineers

- (a) The board will appoint three or more scrutineers, who are not nominees for the position of director, to ascertain the results of the director elections.
- (b) The scrutineers will declare the results of the director elections.

# **Proposed change:**

#### 7.06 Scrutineers Observers

- (a) The board will appoint three or more scrutineers observers, who are not nominees for the position of director, to ascertain the results of the director elections.
- (b) The scrutineers observers will declare the results of the director elections.

### **Existing Bylaw:**

### 7.17 Regular Meetings

(b) A copy of any resolution of the board fixing the places and times of regular board meetings must be sent to each director immediately after being passed, and no other notice is required for any regular board meeting, except where the Act requires the purpose of the meeting or the business to be transacted at it to be specified in the notice, as specifies in 7.16(c).

# Proposed change:

### 7.17 Regular Meetings

(b) The board will be issued a list of meeting and location of meetings for the entire year. The board will be notified electronically if there are any changes to the original list of meetings.

#### **Existing Bylaw:**

#### 8.08 Fidelity Bonds

The board may require the Cooperative's officers, employees and agents, as the board determines appropriate, to furnish bonds for the faithful discharge of their powers and duties, in the form and with the surety that the board, from time to time, determines appropriate.

# Proposed change:

Remove 8.08 completely.

### **Existing Bylaw:**

#### 10.07 Redemption of Membership Shares by the Cooperative

(c) To individual members who have permanently moved their residence out of the trading area (or, in the case of a joint membership, where both joint members have permanently moved their residence out if the trading area), or corporate members who have permanently moved their registered office out of the trading area:

#### Proposed change:

#### 10.07 Redemption of Membership Shares by the Cooperative

(c) To individual members who have permanently moved their residence and/or head office out of the trading area (or, in the case of a joint membership, where both joint members have permanently moved their residence and/or head office out of the trading area and are no longer doing business with the Cooperative or corporate members who have permanently moved their registered office out of the trading area and are no longer doing business with the Cooperative;