

Changes to Bylaw 11 proposed and agreed.

To be inserted into the Byelaws at 11 (4) – with the clauses following renumbered.

Election procedure for the GCCF Board and Finance Committee – a choice of procedure

A) by nomination – the traditional format

1. Nomination papers for the Board and FC must be circulated with the paperwork for the Electoral Meeting of Council.
2. Nominations will be made to the GCCF Office either by post or electronically. Only delegates from clubs that have sent examined returns to the GCCF Office may nominate and be nominated. There can be no self-nomination.
3. A list of nominees must be made on the GCCF website as names are received throughout the nomination period. Candidates and nominators are responsible for checking a name is listed. Proof of sending will not provide proof of receipt.
4. Nominations will close 10 days before the Council meeting.
5. Each candidate for the Board and/or FC must provide a nomination statement no longer than 200 words to provide background information on their reasons for becoming a Board and/or FC Committee member and give an indication of how they will contribute to the company in the future in that role. Failure to do so will invalidate the nomination.
6. Statements must be linked to a nominee's name and can be uploaded from the time each name is published. Candidates are responsible for checking their statement is displayed on the GCCF website. Proof of sending will not provide proof of receipt.
7. There will be a deadline set for receipt of statements to allow for printing if paperwork is to be taken to a meeting.
8. Candidates whose names are presented for a GCCF Council ballot will be delegates who have been correctly nominated by another eligible delegate, and who have submitted the required statement before any specified deadline. Enquiries can be made about non-published names or statements in advance of a closing date. None will be considered once a deadline has passed.

B) by individual application - as for the three disciplinary committees

(1-3 above not applicable)

1. Applications to serve on the Board and/or FC must be received at least 10 days before the Electoral meeting of Council. Only delegates from clubs that have sent examined returns to the GCCF Office may apply.
2. Each candidate for the Board and/or FC must provide an application statement no longer than 500 words to provide background information on their reasons for becoming a Board and/or FC Committee member and give an indication of how they will contribute to the company in the future in that role. Failure to do so will invalidate the application.
3. Statements must be linked to an applicant's name and can be uploaded from the time each name is published. Candidates are responsible for checking their statement is displayed on the GCCF website. Proof of sending will not provide proof of receipt.
4. There will be a deadline set for receipt of statements to allow for printing if paperwork is to be taken to a meeting.
5. Candidates whose names are presented for a GCCF Council ballot will be delegates who have been who have submitted the required statement before any specified deadline. Enquiries can be made about non-published names or statements in advance of a closing date. None will be considered once a deadline has passed.

To allow the introduction of emergency business

Byelaw 9 (4)

At least twenty-eight days' notice in writing shall be given by the Council Office to the Honorary Officers and to all delegates of all Council Meetings and of the business to be transacted thereat, but in the case of Special Meetings called under this Byelaw fourteen days' notice only shall be required. **At the discretion of the Chair emergency items may be admitted onto the agenda. Delegates must be notified in advance by electronic circulation and at the meeting must vote to admit the item onto the agenda with a two thirds majority required.**

~~This~~ Business shall include any proposed substantive amendments (those requiring more than one sentence of addition and/or deletion) to the minutes of the previous Council meeting, or any query on meeting procedure, statements* on any item and/or queries* on previous business that are to be read to the meeting for the consideration of all who attended. Statements* and/or comments* to be read to the meeting on any published agenda item (including candidate presentations) should be sent to the GCCF Office as soon as possible for website publication and circulation to delegates via the supplementary agenda.

Note: * these are to be no more than a single A4 sheet in standard print (Arial 11).

(Amended 18.02.2004, 21.02.2018, 26.02.2020)

Does any of the second paragraph need to be removed?

Byelaw 13

- a) The Council shall have the power to amend these Byelaws by resolution passed by a majority of two-thirds of those present and voting at a meeting of Council, of which not less than twenty-eight days' notice of the intended alteration has been given, setting out the amendments which are to be proposed. **Except at the discretion of the Chair emergency items may be admitted onto the agenda. Delegates must be notified in advance by electronic circulation and at the meeting must vote to admit the item onto the agenda with a two thirds majority required.** Amendments to the Byelaws shall take effect immediately after they are approved. (Amended 26.10.11)
- b) The Council shall have the power to amend the Rules by resolution passed by a simple majority of those present and voting at a meeting of Council, of which not less than twenty-eight days' notice of the intended alteration has been given, setting out the amendments which are to be proposed. **Except at the discretion of the Chair emergency items may be admitted onto the agenda. Delegates must be notified in advance by electronic circulation and at the meeting must vote to admit the item onto the agenda with a two thirds majority required.** The effective date of any amendment to the Rules shall be stated as an integral part of the amendments and recorded in the minute of the decision. (Amended 26.10.11)