

***Recommended Changes to Article IV of the
RMA Rough Rider Association Bylaws***

*To be presented at the Business Meeting of
the Association in Rock Island, IL on August 24, 2014*

ARTICLE IV - EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY

Section 1 - Board of Directors.

The executive and administrative authority of the Rough Rider Association shall be vested with a five-member Board of Directors, which shall consist of the elected officers and the Immediate Past President. ~~In the event of the inability or unavailability of a member of the Board of Directors to serve, another member will be appointed by the President, with concurrence of his Officers, to serve.~~ The Board shall manage the affairs of the Association. All power and authority exercised by any member of the Board shall be in accordance with the Association's bylaws. The Board is authorized to meet by telephone conference or through other electronic communication media so long as all the members may simultaneously hear each other and participate during the meeting and shall be further authorized to vote by mail, fax, or e-mail for such matters that need to be handled between meetings.

The officers of the Association shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and the Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected by the voting members to serve a two-year term or until their successors are elected.

Section 2 - The President. The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Association, shall oversee all Association activities and appoint all committee chairmen, as provided in the Association's bylaws. The President shall preside at the membership meetings and shall make a report as to the state of the Association.

Section 3 - The Vice President. The Vice-President shall assist the President, ~~coordinate the activities of the various committees, and assume the duties and responsibilities of the President in the absence or inability of the President to carry out the duties and responsibilities of that office.~~ The Vice-President will perform other duties as assigned by the President.

Section 4 - The Secretary. The Secretary shall be the Chief Recording Officer of the Association, shall keep the minutes, and shall manage communications and records of the Association. ~~The Secretary shall assume the responsibilities of the Vice-President in the absence, or inability of the Vice-President to carry out the duties and responsibilities of that office until the next election.)~~

Section 5 - The Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be the Chief Financial Officer of the Association and shall collect, receive and have care and custody of all funds and

securities of the Association. The Treasurer shall have responsibility, under the direction of the President, for managing the financial affairs of the Association in accordance with the Association Bylaws and shall make an annual report to the President as to the financial condition of the Association. ~~The Treasurer shall assume the responsibilities of the Secretary in the absence or inability of the Secretary to carry out the duties and responsibilities of that office until the next election.~~

~~**Section 5A – Treasurer Succession.** In the absence of, or inability of the duly elected Treasurer to carry out the duties and responsibilities of that office, the President shall appoint a successor with the concurrence of the Board of Directors to serve until the next election.~~

Section 6 - Succession of Officers. In the event of a vacancy in the office of any ~~Board member elected Officer~~ excepting the President who will be succeeded by the Vice-President, ~~the provisions of Article IV, Sections 3, 4, and 5 shall apply~~ President shall appoint, with concurrence of the Board, a member to fill that vacancy. Should the President not be succeeded by the Vice-President, the remaining Board members shall elect a member to fill that vacancy.

Section 7 – Consolidation of Offices. The membership may, during a Regular election, vote to consolidate two of the offices for the coming term. The Election Committee may recommend the action(s). In the event that the membership so votes to consolidate two positions, in order to maintain the five-member Board, an at-large member of the Board shall be elected.

NOTE: Words to be deleted are ~~struck through~~; words to be added are underlined.