

# **Resolutions for Amendment to BCLNA By-Laws**

Presented to the BC Landscape & Nursery Association membership at the Annual General Meeting on December 7, 2023.

The BCLNA Board is proposing two significant changes to the By-laws: 1) to add at least 2 new Board officers to enhance the effectiveness of the Board and 2) to add an Alumni class to our membership to accommodate the request of members to be able to stay engaged in the association when they are no longer working in the industry. These changes require amendments to several clauses in our Bylaws as per the resolutions below.

# **Resolution A**

**WHEREAS** the BC Landscape & Nursery Association is adding a new membership class for Alumni members.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, AS A SPECIAL RESOLUTION, THAT:

Bylaw 2.1 is changed to:

Classes of Membership. The Association shall have the following classes of membership:

- (a) Active;
- (b) Associate;
- (c) Satellite;
- (d) Interim;
- (e) Horticulturist;
- (f) Honourary;
- (g) Out of Province;
- (h) Student and
- (i) Alumni

### And adding Bylaw 2.10 as;

2.10 **Alumni Membership.** An individual, previously in the industry and a previous member of BCLNA may continue their membership as an alumni member.

#### And changing Bylaw 2.11 to:

2.11 **Voting Rights.** Active Members and Associate Members shall be entitled to one vote at all meetings of Members. Interim Members, Horticulturist Members, Honourary Members, Out of Province Members, Student and Alumni Members shall not be entitled to vote at any meetings of members.

## **Resolution B**

**WHEREAS** the BC Landscape & Nursery Association has determined that having two more directors.

#### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, AS A SPECIAL RESOLUTION, THAT:

Bylaw 6.2 is changed to:

#### 6.2 **Number of Directors.** The following persons shall be directors of the Association:

- a) the Chair;
- b) the First Vice-Chair;
- c) the Second Vice-Chair;
- d) the Treasurer;
- e) the chair of the Growers Committee;
- f) the chair of the Garden Centre Committee;
- g) the chair of the Landscape Professionals Committee;
- h) the Past Chair and
- i) the Director(s) at Large.

#### And changing Bylaw 9.1 to:

- 9.1 Elected Officers. Individuals shall be elected to fill the following offices at an annual general meeting:
- (a) Chair;
- (b) First Vice-Chair;
- (c) Second Vice-Chair;
- (d) Treasurer; and
- (e) Director(s) at Large

#### And changing Bylaw 9.3 to:

9.3 Term of Office. The Chair, First Vice-Chair, Second Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Director at Large shall retire from office at each annual general meeting when his successor shall be elected. A retiring officer is eligible for re-appointment. No person shall hold more than one elected office at one time.

### And changing Bylaw 9.8 to:

- 9.8 Duties of the Director(s) at Large. Director(s) at Large shall
  - (a) serve on the Board of Directors and supplement expertise in areas such as marketing, human resources, events or other needs as required by the Board of Directors.

## **Resolution C**

**WHEREAS** the BC Landscape & Nursery Association has determined that voting members participating online should have the same voting privilege as those present in the room at the AGM.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, AS A SPECIAL RESOLUTION, THAT:

1.1 Definitions. In these By-laws, unless the context otherwise requires:

(j) "In person" refers to a member that is present at a meeting either in the meeting room or participating online.