



## Proposed Substantive Changes to the SGOP Bylaws

### Executive Board Structure

- **Current Board** (9 total): President, 1st VP, 2nd VP, Treasurer, Secretary, Chairman Emeritus, Ward Leader, (2) Directors selected by the President
- **Proposed Board:** [ balances the power of the President, the people, and the membership ]
  - **Voters (5):** Ward Leader + 4 precinct committeemen elected from each of the wards
  - **Membership (5):** 1st VP, 2nd VP, Treasurer, Secretary, Chairman Emeritus
  - **President (5-6):** President + a Director for every 50 members of the club
- **Committees:**
  - Committee chairs can be appointed by the President at-will, without Executive Board consent
  - Committee chairs do not have voting rights on the Executive Board, but can concurrently hold any position that *does* have voting rights (EX: Director, 1st VP)
  - Question to the Board: Should we codify the system of two Vice Presidents each with oversight over their own committees?

### Official Meetings

- A minimum of four “official meetings” will be held each year where members can vote on motions, endorsements, censure, etc.
- Official Meetings must be called with appropriate notice. The less notice given, the higher the quorum required: >10 days notice → 10%; >5 days notice → 25%; <5 days notice → no votes allowed
- Membership is able to call official meetings (usually only the President can call meetings)
  - By petition of 25% of members, the President will set a reasonable meeting date, time, & location within 7 days of receipt of the petition. Agenda is set by membership.

### Censure

- Two-Step Process:
  - **(1) Intent to Censure:** approved by majority vote of members at a meeting, must include message sent by SGOP to the politician/person/group we intend to censure
  - **(2) Censure:** President shall call meeting 2+ weeks from message being sent, making reasonable accommodations for that politician/person/group to attend
    - **Requires a 2/3 vote to censure**
- Sanctions will be limited to a specific duration:
  - Elected Officials: until the end of their term
  - Candidates: until their general election
  - Persons/Groups: until the next Presidential election

### Endorsements

- No changes to endorsements for *primary* elections.
- **General Election Endorsement Changes:**
  - All candidates listed on the ballot as Republicans are *automatically* endorsed by the SGOP, but their endorsement can be rescinded by a 2/3 majority of members