

## PROPOSED CHANGE TO UFOP BYLAWS 2003

### Article II - Officers

#### Section 1. Officers:

Currently reads: The officers of UFP shall be: President, Vice-President (who is President-elect), Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer. these officers shall constitute the Executive Board.

Proposed addition: Add Webmaster to the above. Webmaster is appointed, as are the secretaries and treasurer. Any officer may serve as Webmaster in addition to his normal duties.

#### Section 4. Vacancies

Currently reads:

The office of President, if vacant, shall be filled by the Vice-President (President-elect) who will thus fill both offices. Other offices, if vacant shall be filled by appointment by the Executive Board for the unexpired term, except for the office of the Vice-President, which shall remain vacant until the next election.

Proposed change:

The office of President, if vacant, shall be filled by the Vice-President (President-elect) who will thus fill both offices. Other offices, if vacant shall be filled by appointment by the Executive Board for the unexpired term, except for the office of the Vice-President, which shall remain vacant until the next election.

**Should the office of Vice-President (President-elect) be vacated, or should the Vice-President decline to serve as President, the voting membership in attendance at the Annual Meeting may elect a President as follows:**

- 1. A new President and Vice-President may be nominated and elected at the Annual Meeting;**
- 2. By unanimous vote of all voting membership present at the annual meeting, the existing President may be re-elected for one term only. A new Vice-President (President-elect) shall also be elected at the meeting through normal procedures.**

#### Section 5. SUCCESSION:

Currently reads:

The President shall not succeed himself in office except when he has previously served only the unexpired term of office when vacated. However, nothing in this section shall prevent a person from serving another term in later years, as long as the terms are not consecutive.

Proposed change:

The President shall not succeed himself in office except when he has previously served only the unexpired term of office when vacated, **or if unanimously re-elected due to the lack of a President-elect for the new term (see Section 4).** ~~However, nothing in this section shall prevent a person from serving another term in later years, as long as the terms are not~~

~~consecutive.~~ Should a President be re-elected due to the lack of a President-elect, he may serve only one additional term (for a total of two full terms). If, at the end of the second full term, a President-elect does not exist, both a new President and Vice-President must be nominated and elected at the next Annual Meeting. Former officers may serve another term in later years, after a minimum of two years has passed.

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Thanks to those who joined us in the UFOP conference call this evening. I think it proved itself as a viable alternative to travel. I've attached the notes I made from the meeting (did you take official minutes, Candace? -- if so, please e-mail them out. My notes weren't really meant to be minutes.).

Regarding proposed dues increases and change in contribution to the state organization: I just checked the by-laws. The board of trustees may establish any type of membership fee that we want to and can also determine how much the chapters contribute to the state organization. It does not require a vote of the general membership. We can vote on our recommendations in the board meeting on May 30.

Next annual meeting: the by-laws say the board of trustees is responsible for selecting the site for the next meeting. The site selection requires a majority vote of the board members present at the meeting. So, according to the by-laws, we have legally selected Uinta Basin for 2004 and Southwest for 2005.

As far as officers go, the by-laws are quite specific. I can't serve two terms in a row. The vice president is supposed to step into the president post if the president vacates it, and the vp position stays vacant until the next elections. Our by-laws are fine except for our current situation, in which the president position is vacated before we have a vice president-elect. Folks, I think this requires a by-laws change (which must be voted on by the general membership). It seems crazy to nominate Barb as Vice President and then force her to serve both as President and VP because the by-laws keep us from nominating and electing a replacement. We will need to come up with proposed wording and have it available in handout form, showing the modifications, at the annual meeting. I think Martha has the by-laws in some sort of word processor; I'll ask her to send them to all of us for review.

Thanks again...

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