

The Board Of Directors reviewed the following changes, marked in red, at the May Board Of Directors meeting held May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018. These changes will be printed in the May and June newsletters for membership review. The General membership will vote to make these Bylaws changes permanent at the September 2018 meeting.

## ARTICLE VII - ELECTIONS

### SECTION A

The PRESIDENT shall appoint a nominating committee, consisting of at least three (3) members, no later than **August** in each election year. The nominating committee shall select one or more nominees for each of five (5) row offices and a minimum of six (6) nominees for the BOARD OF DIRECTORS. The committee will make its written report to the PRESIDENT during the regular **meetings** of the membership in **September and** October. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at **either of these meetings. The selected nominees shall be posted in the GPLA Newsletter in both October and November.**

### SECTION B

Any member in good standing who has been a member of the ASSOCIATION for at least one (1) year shall be eligible for nomination. Nomination for PRESIDENT and VICE PRESIDENT shall further require the nominee to have previously held a row office of the ASSOCIATION for at least one (1) term, or have served as a BOARD MEMBER for one (1) term. This qualification for PRESIDENT and VICE PRESIDENT will also be deemed met if the member is currently serving their first term as an elected OFFICER or BOARD MEMBER and their term expires when the newly elected PRESIDENT and VICE PRESIDENT are installed under SECTION E of this ARTICLE.

### SECTION C

Elections, by secret ballot, shall be conducted at the regular meeting in November. **Nominations from the floor shall not be accepted at this meeting.** Each eligible member present shall cast one vote for each OFFICER position to be filled. In electing OFFICERS, the nominee receiving the largest number of votes cast for the office for which the nominee is running, shall be deemed elected. Nominees for elective office, who were not elected to said office, shall be deemed additional nominees for the position of DIRECTOR. The six (6) nominees for the BOARD OF DIRECTORS receiving the largest number of votes shall be deemed elected to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS. Each eligible member present shall be entitled to vote for six (6) directors.