Hunting Retriever Club, Inc. Proposed Bylaws Amendments

Amendment 1. Amend Article II by substituting a new Section D.

CURRENT PROPOSED AMENDMENT **WOULD READ** SECTION D. EXPULSION OF SECTION D. SUSPENSION AND/OR SECTION D. SUSPENSION AND/OR **MEMBERS EXPULSION OF MEMBERS/CLUBS** EXPULSION OF MEMBERS/CLUBS 1. Any member of the association 1. Any member of the association may 1. Any member of the association may may be expelled by a majority of be suspended, expelled or otherwise be suspended, expelled or otherwise the Executive Committee voting by disciplined by a majority of the disciplined by a majority of the secret ballot for conduct by word, Executive Committee voting by secret Executive Committee voting by secret deed, or act detrimental to said ballot for conduct by word, deed, or act ballot for conduct by word, deed, or act detrimental to said association. detrimental to said association. association. 2. Any Associated Club may be 2. Any Associated Club may be 2. Any Associated Club may be expelled by a majority of the suspended, expelled or otherwise suspended, expelled or otherwise Executive Committee voting by disciplined by a majority of the disciplined by a majority of the secret ballot if such club has failed Executive Committee voting by secret Executive Committee voting by secret to host a hunting retriever trial ballot if such club has failed to host a ballot if such club has failed to host a open to all Hunting Retriever Club, hunting retriever trial open to all Hunting hunting retriever trial open to all Inc. members for a period of two Retriever Club, Inc. members for a Hunting Retriever Club, Inc. members period of two years, or for conduct by for a period of two years, or for conduct years. by word, deed, or act detrimental to said 3. An individual member or word, deed, or act detrimental to said associated Club so expelled shall association by the Club. association by the Club. have the right to appeal to the 3. An individual member or associated 3. An individual member or associated Board of Directors for Club so expelled shall have the right to Club so expelled shall have the right to reinstatement. The said appeal appeal to the Board of Directors for appeal to the Board of Directors for shall be filed in writing, with the reinstatement. The said appeal shall be reinstatement. The said appeal shall be Secretary of this association within filed in writing, with the Secretary of this filed in writing, with the Secretary of seven consecutive calendar days association within seven consecutive this association within seven after said expulsion. The appeal for calendar days after said expulsion. The consecutive calendar days after said reinstatement shall be acted upon appeal for reinstatement shall be acted expulsion. The appeal for reinstatement at the next annual Board of upon at the next annual Board of shall be acted upon at the next annual Directors meeting. Reinstatement Board of Directors meeting. Directors meeting. Reinstatement shall shall be granted upon a two-thirds be granted upon a two-thirds majority Reinstatement shall be granted upon a majority vote of the voting vote of the voting Directors present at two-thirds majority vote of the voting Directors present at the meeting. the meeting. Voting on said appeal to be Directors present at the meeting. Voting Voting on said appeal to be by by secret ballot on said appeal to be by secret ballot.

Rationale: As written, the Executive Committee only has authority to expel clubs and members. The Executive Committee should have flexibility to handle or manage a lesser violation.

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Amendment 2. Amend Article V. Committees, by adding a new Section D and renumbering the existing sections.

SECTION D – COMPLAINT REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Complaint Review Committee ("CRC") shall consist of 5 persons appointed by the President. Each member shall serve for four years. Should any member of the committee be removed or unable to SERVE their term, a replacement shall be selected by the President. Any person replacing an elected member shall serve until the original member's term would have expired. TERM LIMITS: No member of the CRC may serve more than two consecutive 4-year terms.

The President shall designate one of the members as the chairman of this committee. The Chairman shall select a member as Committee Secretary, charged with faithfully recording minutes of all meetings of the Committee.

The Executive Committee may forward any complaints filed with it to the CRC for investigation. The minutes shall be available for inspection at the Board of Directors Meeting, PROVIDED all names and personal identifying information (address, phone number, email address, etc.) of any persons contained in the minutes shall be redacted and may not be released without the written consent to such release by the person so identified.

Upon receipt of a formal complaint from the Executive Committee, the CRC chairman shall distribute copies of the complaint to each member of the CRC electronically as soon as practicable. A brief email, electronic or telephone conference of the committee shall be held within 3 days of the receipt of the complaint to ensure its receipt by all members and to schedule a meeting to formally review the complaint. The chairman, or another committee member at the chairman's direction, may contact the person filing the complaint, the responding party, and/or any member of the Hunt Committee of the club where the complaint was filed, if the committee feels further or clarifying information is needed. Within 31 days of the chairman's receipt of the complaint, the CRC shall present the results of its investigation via email to the Executive Committee, including: a brief summary of the allegations, a complete list of steps taken by the CRC in its investigation, and the conclusions of its investigation.

Rationale: Responses to complaints by an independent committee allows for a more thorough investigation. The ultimate decision is still in the hands of the Executive Committee after the findings of the CRC.

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Amendment 3. Amend Article III, Section A, second paragraph by inserting "or until their successors are elected" after "two years."

CURRENT	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	WOULD READ
All elected officers shall hold office	All elected officers shall hold office for a	All elected officers shall hold office
for a term of two years: except for a	term of two years or until their successors	for a term of two years or until their
term to fill a vacancy which term	are elected: except for a term to fill a	successors are elected: except for a
shall be until the next regularly	vacancy which term shall be until the next	term to fill a vacancy which term
scheduled Election of Officers. No	regularly scheduled Election of Officers.	shall be until the next regularly
elected officer shall be eligible to	No elected officer shall be eligible to serve	scheduled Election of Officers. No
serve more than two full two-year	more than two full two-year consecutive	elected officer shall be eligible to
consecutive terms in the same	terms in the same office.	serve more than two full two-year
office.		consecutive terms in the same office.

Rationale: Suggested language from *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*, 12th Edition, to ensure officers can stay in place in the event of an emergency situation until new officers are elected.

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Amendment 4. Amend Article X, Parliamentary Procedure, by substituting a new paragraph.

CURRENT	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	WOULD READ
ARTICLE X:	ARTICLE X: PARLIAMENTARY	ARTICLE X:
PARLIAMENTARY	PROCEDURE	PARLIAMENTARY
<u>PROCEDURE</u>	SECTION A.	<u>AUTHORITY</u>
SECTION A.	Robert's Rules of Order shall be	The rules contained in the current
Robert's Rules of Order shall be	accepted as a basis of Parliamentary	edition of Robert's Rules of Order
accepted as a basis of	procedure in all meetings of the	Newly Revised shall govern the
Parliamentary procedure in all	Hunting Retriever Club, Inc.	Hunting Retriever Club, Inc. in all
meetings of the Hunting		cases to which they are applicable
Retriever Club, Inc.	ARTICLE X: PARLIAMENTARY	and in which they are not
	<u>AUTHORITY</u>	inconsistent with these bylaws and
	The rules contained in the current	any special rules of order.
	edition of Robert's Rules of Order	
	Newly Revised shall govern the	
	Hunting Retriever Club, Inc. in all	
	cases to which they are applicable and	
	in which they are not inconsistent with	
	these bylaws and any special rules of	
	order.	

Rationale: Updated language from *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*, 12th Edition.

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Amendment 5. Amend Article XI, Number 9 in the Order of Business by striking out "Old Business" and inserting "Unfinished Business (if applicable)"

CURRENT	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	WOULD READ
ARTICLE XI. ORDER OF	ARTICLE XI. ORDER OF	ARTICLE XI. ORDER OF
BUSINESS	BUSINESS	<u>BUSINESS</u>
9. Old Business	9. Old Business	9. Unfinished Business (if applicable)
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Rationale: "Old Business" is outdated and no longer used. This language is from *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*, 12th Edition.

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