


# MEMBER VOTE:

## PROPOSED CHANGES TO FMCA'S CONSTITUTION

A hand is shown holding a white ballot paper, poised to insert it into a slot in a dark wooden ballot box. The background is a solid dark grey.

**D**uring its meeting on July 18, 2018, the FMCA Governing Board passed motions to amend the following Constitution Articles: Article II, FMCA Membership, and Article X, Amending the Constitution. These changes are to streamline procedures for refunds and electronic voting, respectively.

The Governing Board passed the motion regarding **Article II**, with the following rationale: From time to time there may be special circumstances whereby the staff or the Executive Board need to reimburse fees or dues paid by members. The purpose of this change is to provide the

## PROPOSED CHANGES ARE INDICATED BY THE FOLLOWING MARKS

Addition    **red text**

Deletion    ~~blue text with a strikethrough~~

flexibility to the Executive Board to deal with these situations. The whole issue of refunds can be controlled in the Bylaws or the Member and Volunteer Handbook.

The Governing Board passed the motion regarding **Article X**, with the following rationale: During the 2017 membership vote on changes to the Articles of Incorporation and Constitution, FMCA received numerous requests/complaints regarding online voting. These changes would provide the flexibility to authorize electronic voting for future proposed changes to the Constitution.

Please vote by completing the ballot at right and returning it to **Mandel and Associates Inc., 431 Ohio Pike, Suite 201, Cincinnati, OH 45255 by December 31, 2018.**

### ARTICLE II — FMCA MEMBERSHIP

#### 4. Rights of Members of FMCA:

- B. No members shall become vested of any right or title to or interest in any property of FMCA except as provided by law. Membership is deemed a personal privilege, and is not to be subject to sale, transfer, assignment or inheritance. ~~No member is entitled to any refund of initiation fees or dues upon severing connection with FMCA.~~

### ARTICLE X — AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION

#### 3. Submission to the Membership:

If approved, the text of a proposed amendment shall be submitted to the membership of FMCA by publication of its text in the FMCA publication **and by communication to members by electronic means.** ~~along with an appropriate ballot.~~ The submission shall include the rationale, Executive Board and Governing Board recommendations on the proposed amendment, and a description of the voting process.

#### 4. Action on Referenda:

- A. Ninety (90) days from the ~~magazine's mailing date~~ date submitted to the membership, the votes completed manually and the votes completed by electronic means ~~the ballots returned~~ shall be validated, counted and the results announced.

## CONSTITUTION — BALLOT

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Printed in this issue of the magazine are proposed changes to the current FMCA Constitution. This is the return ballot. Mark your ballot by placing an "X" in the appropriate boxes, remove the ballot, and mail (postal mail only) to:

**Mandel And Associates Inc.  
431 Ohio Pike, Suite 201  
Cincinnati, OH 45255**

Full, Full Lifetime, and Life members are entitled to cast a vote. One vote per FMCA member number. Ballot must be filled out completely to be valid.

#### ACCEPT THE CHANGES TO ARTICLE II OF THE CONSTITUTION

☐ YES ☐ NO

#### ACCEPT THE CHANGES TO ARTICLE X OF THE CONSTITUTION

☐ YES ☐ NO

NAME AND FMCA MEMBER NUMBER

CITY AND STATE/PROVINCE OF MEMBER

SIGNATURE

**BALLOT MUST BE RECEIVED BY  
THE CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT BY  
DECEMBER 31, 2018**