

DEAR MARATHON COMMUNITY THEATRE 2021-22 MEMBERS:

The 2021-22 Marathon Community Theatre Board of Directors has approved for member consideration, the attached revisions to the existing Marathon Community Theater By-Laws. The proposed By-Law changes are specifically for the **DEFINITION, TERMS OF OFFICE** and **VACANCY** of the **OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS**.

The By-Law changes proposed are to revise the **DEFINITION** of a board member to reflect the reduction of the number of Directors from a minimum of 11 to a minimum of 9 and a maximum of 15 to a maximum of 11; to revise the current **TERM OF OFFICE** for an elected Board Member from three successive 2-year terms to two successive 3-year terms, in a staggered manner. The term of President is to also be revised to three successive 1-year terms, allowing a President the time needed to learn the job and effectively make changes during their presidency; and to revise the **VACANCY** of a Board Member, making this action necessary only if the total number of board members drops below the specified minimum number of Directors.

The existing clauses do not meet the changing needs of the organization. The purpose of this revision is to bring the By-Laws up to date with the operations of Marathon Community Theatre. Please find attached:

- **Attachment 1– MCT By-Laws Proposed Revisions May 2022 (specifically pages 5 & 6)**
- **Attachment 2– MCT By-Laws Revision Ballot May 04 2022**

Please print and review the attached forms, as they contain important information about the proposed revision to the MCT By-Laws as well as the upcoming June 8th 2022/23 MCT Board of Directors Election & General Membership Meeting. Please remember that Individual Memberships have one (1) vote and Household Memberships have two (2) votes for the By-Laws Revision Ballot.

Implementation: The change will be implemented upon passage of the suggested by-laws change by the general membership voting results on THURSDAY, JUNE 9TH, 2022.

Your By-Law Ballot with complete explanations is attached.

ALL Nominee & ByLaw Change Ballots must be received by:
7PM - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8TH, 2022

Please send your completed ballot to the MCT in one of the following ways:

1. E-mail to info@marathontheater.org
2. Post Mail to MCT Elections, P.O. Box 500124, Marathon, FL 33050
3. Fax to 305-743-2408
4. Hand Delivery at the MCT Box Office, Monday – Friday, 12 to 4 pm.

**MARATHON COMMUNITY THEATER
BALLOT - PROPOSED BY-LAWS CHANGE FOR APPROVAL - MAY 2022**

By-Law change to Officers and Board of Directors proposed by the By-Law Committee:

- **Proposal 1** is to revise the **DEFINITION** of a board member to reflect the reduction of the number of Directors from a minimum of 11 to a minimum of 9 and a maximum of 15 to a maximum of 11.
- **Proposal 2** is to revise the current **TERM OF OFFICE** for an elected Board Member from three successive 2-year terms to two successive 3-year terms, in a staggered manner. The term of President is to also be amended to three 1-year successive terms, allowing a President the time needed to learn the job and effectively make changes during their presidency.
- **Proposal 3** is to revise the **VACANCY** of a Board Member, making this action necessary only if the total number of board members drops below the specified minimum number of Directors.

ARTICLE II - OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Definition

~~A Board of Directors shall consist of at least 11, but not more than 15, elected or appointed board members.~~ A Board of Directors shall consist of at least 9, but not more than 13, elected or appointed board members. Officers consisting of a President, Executive Vice President, Vice President of Production, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected annually from the Board of Directors. No two members of the same household may be Officers during the same time period. The immediate past President may serve as an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors, if not re-elected as a regular board member, with voting privileges.

Section 2. Term of Office

2.1 ~~Elected board members shall be elected for a two year term, in a staggered manner, and may succeed themselves twice. The President is restricted to two successive terms.~~ Elected board members shall be elected for a three-year term, in a staggered manner, and may succeed themselves once. The office of President is restricted to three successive one-year terms. This restriction applies only to the office of President and the immediate past President may be reelected to the Board as a regular member, provided he or she is not termed out.

Section 5. Vacancy

5.3 It is not mandatory to fill the vacancy unless the total number of board members drops below the specified minimum of ~~11 members~~ 9 members.

APPROVE PROPOSAL 1: YES _____ NO _____

APPROVE PROPOSAL 2: YES _____ NO _____

APPROVE PROPOSAL 3: YES _____ NO _____

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