

We'd like to vote to amend Article 3, Sections 1 and 5 of the PoPS Constitution at our next General Membership meeting, July 19th.

Summary of the Issue:

Our Constitution currently says that you have to be a member of PofA to be a Regular voting member of PoPS. That's not how we behave, or how the membership wants PoPS to run, so we need to change the document to reflect reality. [Click here to access the current PoPS Constitution.](#)

Relevant Parts in Our Current Constitution:

Article III - Membership

Membership in this organization shall be open to any person or group of persons interested in promoting its purposes, subject to payment of dues.

Section 1: Regular memberships shall be open to any member in good standing in the Puppeteers of America, Inc. who pays dues to the Puppeteers of Puget Sound.

(**Sections 2, 3 and 4** deal with Family Memberships, Junior Memberships, and Organizational Memberships and are not affected by this amendment.)

Section 5: Associate Memberships shall be open to any person over the age of 17 who is interested in promoting the purposes of this Guild. An Associate Member need not be a member of the Puppeteers of America, Inc. and shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the Puppeteers of Puget Sound, except:

1. An Associate Member shall not be entitled to a vote nor to a voice on the floor of its meetings

Suggested Changes:

Article III - Membership

Membership in Puppeteers of Puget Sound (PoPS) shall be open to any person or group of persons interested in promoting PoPS purposes, subject to payment of dues to PoPS.

Section 1: Regular memberships shall be open to any person who pays dues to the Puppeteers of Puget Sound.

Section 5: Members must not have been Suspended, Terminated or under Sanction by the Puppeteers of America, Inc.

Respectfully submitted,
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