

Carolinian Canada Coalition Amendments to By-law # 1

Approved by the board (2/3 quorum) April 4, 2008

For consideration by the full membership at the AGM May 22, 2008

3.01 *Explanation: Allow for charitable registration. All current activities of the Coalition are consistent with the proposed new objects.*

ARTICLE 3 - OBJECTS

3.01 The Objects of the Coalition shall be the following:

To be removed:

1. Protect and restore natural heritage in the Carolinian life zone for healthy, balanced and sustainable landscapes.
2. Collaborate with individuals and groups who care about natural lands to enhance the effectiveness of conservation action in the region.
3. Promote a researched understanding of nature and its critical interdependence with humans.

Proposed New Objects

1. To preserve, protect and restore the flora and fauna of the Carolinian Life Zone in Southwestern Ontario, by organizing and participating in environmental projects.
2. To conduct research relating to environmental issues affecting the Carolinian Life Zone in Southwestern Ontario and to disseminate the results of such research to the public.
3. To educate and increase the public's understanding of the importance of conserving the natural features of the Carolinian Life Zone in southwestern Ontario by developing and offering educational materials and programs.

4.02 *Explanation: Allow for on-line membership applications*

4.02 Individual Membership: Any person who supports the Objects of the Coalition may be granted an Individual Membership. An applicant for Individual Membership may become a member on his or her signed application or electronic equivalent being received by the Secretary in the prescribed form, payment of the appropriate fees and dues, and approval by the Board of Directors.

5.03 Explanation: Allow for flexibility in the number of directors elected annually in order to remain consistent with the intent of the by-laws i.e. That the number of groups and individuals on the board may shift from time to time within the parameters outlined in 5.01.

5.03 Term: ~~Up to three (3) Directors from the Individual Member class and not less than three (3) Directors as representative Group Members from the Group Membership class~~Directors shall be elected by the full Coalition membership at each annual general meeting of members for a term of three (3) years. The total number of Directors to be elected shall include replacements for positions vacated for a one or two year term as outlined in Article 5.07 and shall complete the complement of ten (10) to eighteen (18) Directors in office.

18.01 & 18.03 Explanation: Allow for a more flexible committee structure to respond to the needs and resources of the Coalition e.g. the Executive Committee act as the Finance or Board Development committee, as provided for in 18.04

18.01 The Board Development Committee: The Board Development Committee shall be a Standing Committee of the Board and shall consist of at least ~~five (5)~~ four (4) Board members....

18.03 Other Standing Committees:

Finance Committee: The Finance Committee shall be composed of at least three (3) Board members including the Treasurer...