

**Proposed Amendment to Article I (Membership)
of the Sevananda Cooperative Bylaws**
(concerning members' ability to call for a special meeting)

Proposal to change the Bylaws to reduce the number of members to petition for a special meeting.

Current Article I. Section C. 1:

Special meetings of the membership may be called by the Board of Directors, or by petition of 20 percent of the current membership.

Article I Section C.1 proposal:

Special meetings of the membership may be called by the Board of Directors, or by petition of 50 members

Why propose this amendment?

Because the membership has grown so large (approximately 4,000) members, it is impossible for members to get 20 percent of the current membership to sign on to a Special Meeting. Further, the names of members, emails and addresses are not public. There is no way for members to contact other members to petition for a Special Meeting. A quorum of 50 members is used as a requirement for member meetings (Article I. C. 3.) and is appropriate for a petition for Special Meetings.

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