## **QUORUM POLICY**

## PURPOSE:

To provide a club-specific interpretation of the rules called out in the Constitution for determining how many members constitute a Club Quorum at a Business Meeting.

## SYNOPSIS:

The Executive Committee (Excomm) is often hampered in conducting Club business at regular Business Meetings because a Quorum, "a majority of the <u>active</u> individual membership" (reference Constitution Article V), is not present. <u>Inactive</u> members are not counted toward quorum (reference Constitution Article II Section 4), and the Excomm has authority to classify members as active or inactive based on meeting attendance criteria. Other than being counted or not counted toward quorum there is no difference between active and inactive members. Inactive members otherwise in good standing who return to attend any meeting are immediately and automatically reclassified as "active" by the Excomm. This motion formalizes the attendance rules used by the Excomm to classify members as active or inactive for purposes of establishing Quorum at Business Meetings.

## PROPOSAL:

- 1) The Secretary or their designate shall keep attendance records at all meetings.
- 2) The Excomm shall reclassify all members as either active or inactive immediately prior to Business meetings according to the following rules:
  - a) All members present at the Business meeting shall be classified as "active",
  - b) Members who are absent from the previous Business meeting and all meetings between that meeting up to and including the current Business meeting shall be classified as "inactive", thus not counted toward quorum.
- 3) The presiding officer of the Business meeting shall apply these rules and announce prior to the start of the meeting whether or not a quorum of active members is present.

\*NOTE: This motion was approved by quorum vote at a Business Meeting sometime in 2003, however the exact date has been lost. (Stephen Wolff, 21sep2004)