

Fellowship Forum Rules and By-Laws Evolution

Year of change	1951	1952	1953	1955	1957	1958	1960	1962	1963	1964	1965	1968	1969	1974	1983
Meeting rules	Neither partisan nor denominational											No partisan politics or denominational religion			
Type of members	Male, having attained age of maturity													Male	
Maximum number of members		35	35, no minimum	40	45				50			50 max, 45 minimum			55
Classes of members			Active, associate (can't attend regularly) and honorary (recommended by Governing Committee, approved by members)	Associate membership dropped		Life member - unable to attend regularly, no dues or obligations, approved by Membership Committee and Governing Board					Life Member changed to Inactive Member	Honorary Member dropped, leaving Active and Inactive			
Attendance requirements		3 months absence without explanation - Membership Committee can drop member		Regular attendance re-emphasized in By-Laws											Membership Committee can consider member Inactive if attendance too low
Termination	Resignation or vote of club														
Nomination and Election procedures	Any member could invite new members. Nominating member is sponsor			Approval by Membership Committee, Governing Board, member vote			Secret ballots by Membership Committee, Governing Board and Members. Unanimous approval by MC and GB required			When vacancy announced, 30 day period for acceptance of nominations. Membership Committee chooses number of candidates = number of vacancies.		Nominations submitted to Active members for study and feedback, if desired.			Addition of new members recommended by Membership Committee, approved by Governing Board and vote of members. Nomination requires 2 sponsors.
Votes to reject nominee			2		Unanimous approval of members present required to elect							3			6
Name of rules	Policies & Procedures		Rules & Regulations	By-Laws	Rules & Regulations	Rules & Regulations	Rules & Regulations	Rules & Regulations	Rules & Regulations	Rules & Regulations	Rules & Regulations	Rules & Regulations			By-Laws
Printed documents			Rules & Regulations for all members									Rules & Regulations first printed in booklet form. Every new member gets a copy			
Amendment of rules			3/4 of active membership	3/4 of members present											3/4 of Active members present. Upon recommendation of Governing Board

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Officers	President, Secretary-Treasurer			Chairman of Program Committee becomes elected office; Treasure ex-officio member of Business Committee; Secretary								Secretary contacts Inactive members not in ill health annually to see if they want to resign			President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Program Director elected
Governing Board	Executive Committee - 3 members, served 3 months to form the FF	Officers	Add latest Past President	Add Chairman of Program Committee				Add Chairmen of Membership Committee and Business Committee							Officers, chairmen of Membership and Business, immediate Past President
Committees	Program, Business Membership	Business Committee serve as Menu Committee													Nominating, Program, Membership, Business
Reports				Annual written reports form Secretary, Treasurer, Standing Committees and other committees as directed by President											
Annual Dues				Established at \$6.00. Allowed special assessments, but disallowed accumulating more than reasonable surplus								\$12.00 Members elected after mid-year pay half first year			
Meals		Business Committee arrange menus													
Meeting location	Marie Antoinette Hotel, Menlo Park					Dinah's, Pioneer Inn, New Cardinal, Marie Antoinette	Elks Club	President Hotel		YWCA			Rick's Swiss Chalet briefly, then Rickeys Hyatt House		