In April 2007, Membership Secretary Susan Barnes suggested the Bylaws Committee consider adding a clarifying statement to the 2006 revision of the PNC/MLA Bylaws: delineating membership categories: Article III. Membership. Section 2. Classes of Membership. The category of Institutional Member was added. Apparently there had been confusion as to what membership benefits were associated with that type of membership. It was proposed that the following sentence be added:

"That representative shall receive the same rights and privileges as an individual member."

With the concurrence of the PNC Board at the annual meeting in October, the change was submitted to the MLA Bylaws Committee November 9, 2007 and approved March 29, 2008. The PNC membership voted in June/July 2008. Ninety-one members voted and the amendment passed with 98.7% approval. Subsequently the chair updated the bylaws, submitted copies to the MLA Bylaws Committee, MLA Chapter Council Chair, and MLA HQ liaison, Mary Langman. The PNC webmaster, Leilani St. Anna also updated our website.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Schueller, Chair

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