#### Proposed Change 1:

To update Article IV to make it in compliance with USBC regarding the change to purchase of a membership card after March 15 of the bowling season. Also to remove the actual amount of the membership fees so that the bylaws do not need to changed and voted on by the membership each time the USBC or Virginia State USBC or local membership fees change. Items in red are to be removed and items in yellow are to be added

# Article IV Membership and Dues

Membership is composed of individuals who pay dues to the association and is in effect from August 1 through July 31.

An individual joining a summer league after March 15 shall pay the dues that are known to be, or become, effective for the next current season. On payment of the dues, the individual shall become a member for the balance of the current season only and the next season.

Each individual shall pay national, state (where applicable) and local dues, except as provided in Rule 100e, Traveling League and 100l, Mail-o-Graphic League.

dues, if any.

The adult members, by two-thirds vote, determine and adopt local adult dues, if any. The annual adult membership dues can be found on the Local Adult Membership fees form and on the home page of the Association's web site (gfusbca.org).

The board, by two-thirds vote, determines and adopts local youth dues, if any, based on the recommendation of the Youth Committee. The annual youth membership dues are as follows:

Standard Membership Basic <u>\$5.00</u> Roll n' Grow (bumper leagues) <u>\$8.00</u> Standard (includes Processing Fee and State Dues) <u>\$17.00</u> Processing Fee only <u>\$2.00</u> Processing fee plus State Dues <u>\$2.50</u> Sport Membership Sport (including State Dues) <u>\$27.00</u> Upgrade from Standard to Sport <u>\$10.00</u> Upgrade to Sport plus processing fee <u>\$12.00</u> Processing Fee only <u>\$2.00</u> Processing fee plus State Dues <u>\$2.50</u>

The board, by two-thirds vote, determines and adopts local dues, if any, based on the recommendation of the Youth Committee. The annual youth membership dues can be found on the Local Youth Membership fees form and on the home page of the Association's web site (gfusbca.org).

The board may waive all or part of local dues for:

1. Members of other USBC associations having a reciprocal agreement with the association.

2. Other groups, such as seniors, etc., as determined by the board.

The association cannot charge additional non-dues assessments.

## **Proposed Change 2:**

In an effort to gain accountability for Board Members to participate in the monthly meetings, I am proposing wording be added to the bylaws to put a restriction on the number of meetings a member can miss without action. Each meeting roll call is taken and a motion is made to determine if the absences are excused or unexcused. Taking roll call is understood so the minutes can be documented, however marking excused or unexcused has no value.

#### Section B. Board Meeting

The board shall meet at least quarterly. Special meetings may be held upon the request of any board member if a majority of the board approves.

1. **Notice.** Written notice for all regular and special meetings shall be forwarded to the board, which should be at least 15 days prior to the meeting.

2. **Quorum.** Six (6) board members constitute a quorum. (The members/Youth Representatives determine the number.)

3. **Action.** A majority vote of those officers and directors present and voting, at a properly noticed meeting, when a quorum has been established, is required to take action, unless otherwise provided by law or these bylaws. Absentee and proxy voting are not permitted.

4. Attendance. Each member of the board is required to attend the monthly board meeting. If unable to attend, notice should be given to the Association Manager and/or President of the Board of Directors. It will be determined at the meeting if the absence is excused or unexcused. 3 unexcused absences are grounds for removal from the Board of Directors.

## Section E. Resignation, Removal, and Vacancies

1. **Resignation.** A board member may resign from the board of directors by providing written notice of resignation to the president or, in the case of the president, to the board.

2. **Removal for Ineligibility.** A board member who is no longer eligible to serve on the board may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the board when a quorum is present.

3. **Removal for Cause.** When a board member is accused, in writing, of failure to properly perform the duties of their office or otherwise engaging in improper or unfair activities or conduct, the board may conduct a hearing following the Removal Procedures in the Suspension and Reinstatement Chapter. An appeal may be filed with USBC within 15 days of the removal. Two thirds written consent of the full board is required to seek re-election and/or re-appointment to the board.

4. Removal for Participation. A board member who has 3 unexcused absences can be removed from the board. An appeal may be filed with USBC within 15 days of the removal. Two thirds written consent of the full board is required to seek re-election and/or re-appointment to the board.

5. Vacancies. Vacancies in positions on the board are filled for the un-expired portion of each term as follows:

a. If elected by the members, director vacancies are filled by the president, subject to approval by the board.

b. If elected by the Youth Committee, vacancies are filled by the Youth Committee.

c. The board fills vacancies in officer positions.