

Pincher Creek Volunteer Search & Rescue Group

⑩ Policy Title: Former Member

⑩ Purpose

To define the process and results of becoming a Former Member.

⑩ Status of This Document

2001-08-09 The policy described in this document is recommended by the Membership Committee. It has not yet been approved by the board.

⑩ Policy

A Member may become a Former Member by either:

- ⑩ giving verbal or written notice to call-out personnel or a board member^[A1,A2,R3]
- ⑩ or by failing to meet the requirements of their membership classification^[A1]
- ⑩ or by being expelled by for any reason deemed reasonable by the Board.^[A1,R1]

Record shall be kept of Former Members.^[A3,R2]

In the case where the Board is considering expelling a member, notice shall be given to the member in writing or by phone prior to the meeting where the matter is decided.^[A4,R4]

⑩ Authority

[A1] proposed Bylaw change as listed in [A4] of the Voting Member policy.

[A2] proposed Board Resolution

Moved that notice of withdrawal from membership may be given to any Board Member or Call-Out Personnel.

[A3] Society Act.

[A4] proposed Board Resolution

Moved that in the case where the Board is considering expelling a member, notice shall be given to the member in writing or by phone prior to the meeting where the matter is decided.

⑩ Alternative Policies

No alternative policies (those considered but not recommended) are listed here.

⑩ Rationale

[R1] The board is the best group to expel members. If the matter must be brought to the membership at a general meeting, the issue will be too destructive to the cohesiveness of the organization and its relationship with the community. Additional policies can be created that restrict the manner or circumstances under

which a member is expelled.

[R2] The Society Act requires that the Society keeps record of all its Former Members.

[R3] Written notice or even a phone call to just one designated person would be too difficult to obtain from inactive members.

[R4] A member facing expulsion requires notice of the problem in order to clarify or correct the situation.