

Membership Committee Procedure

Secretary Verifies Application:

Application must have:

- **Legible** name, residence, and contact information of the person desiring to join the Club
- Endorsement by two members in "Good Standing" who:
 - Have been members of the Club for two or more years
 - Have known the applicants for two or more years
 - Are eligible to sponsor a new member

Note: An application may **not** be accepted if either sponsor has two applicants on the waiting list. A member may **not** sponsor another applicant until at least one of the sponsored applicants becomes a member, is rejected for membership, or withdraws his/her application.

- Attestation that the applicant attended at least two regularly scheduled PYC events including, but not limited to: dinners, breakfasts, pre- and post-season work parties or docks-in or docks-out with one or both sponsors with the object of meeting as many of the Membership Committee, Flag Officers, and members of the Board of Directors as possible
- Date of receipt on the completed application which determines the date of the applicant's name in the mailing to Club members.

Reinstatement Eligibility:

- All of the criteria above must be met in addition to the reinstatement eligibility requirements.
- Former members who resigned in good standing less than 5 years before receipt of the application by the Secretary
- Former member of a marital or marital-like relationship which has dissolved:
 - If the relationship has dissolved, one individual shall retain membership and the other member must resign.
 - As a former member, the resigned individual may apply for reinstatement up to 5 years from the dissolution of the relationship.
- Child who is under the age of 26 who was under the age of 21 when his or her parents were active members and whose parents are still active members of the Club.

Note: Per Constitution Article XI Section 6, only two reinstatements will be allowed in a twelve-month period unless there are no other applicants on the wait list.

Committee Process:

1. Ensure that the candidate's name has been included in a mailing to Club members for thirty days prior to setting up an interview with the applicant and sponsors.
 - No applicant will be interviewed if three members of the Club have submitted written and signed election objections within thirty days after the mailing to Club members, to the Committee Chair (Commodore).
 - These objections shall be held private and confidential.
2. Set up the interview with the applicant and sponsors in the order of receipt of the application.

Exception: Applications from resigned members, per Article XI Section 6, will be considered before new applications.

3. Conduct the interview with the applicant and sponsors to determine whether the applicant is a suitable candidate for Club membership.
4. Committee members vote upon each candidate proposed for membership separately, by ballot.

5. If the applicant is:

- **Approved:** The Commodore will submit approved applications to the Secretary for applicant notification.
- **Not Approved:**

The Commodore will notify:

- a. The Board of Directors that the applicant has been declined by the Membership Committee.
- b. The Secretary to return the application to the sponsors with correspondence stating that the membership application has been declined by the Committee.
- c. The Treasurer to refund the application fee.