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Proposal to change requirements for eligibility to seek election for the Executive and Board Members of BWGMHA.

Currently worded as:

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e) Where a Member, sitting as an Executive or Board Member, that resigns his/her seat during the current season including up to and the final day before the scheduled AGM, may not be eligible to run for a period of one year.

This proposal is to deter resignations in the middle of the season which puts undue pressure on remaining members to fulfill duties until a replacement can be found.

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