# Summary of proposed changes to the by-laws

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The Board of Directors of Corbeille de Pain proposes amendments to the by-laws to better reflect the current state of the organization, and to update certain practices related to membership and the mandate of Board members.

#### ARTICLE

## 3.1 and 3.2

#### **Membership**

Board members, employees and volunteers automatically become members of Corbeille de Pain.

One representative per establishment from the public, community, donor or private sector may represent that establishment as a member.

Membership in all categories is valid for one year following that member's last participation in an activity.

#### 3.4 Resignation and exclusion of members

Instead of delivering a letter to the President of the Board of Directors, a member may contact any employee or member of the Board of Directors in writing.

### 4.1, 4.6, 4.7 and 4.8

#### Board of Directors: composition, election and resignation

Participating in the organization's events has been added to the duties of Board members.

The selection committee for Board members must be made up of two directors and one employee.

The term of office for Board members will be two years instead of one.

Elections alternate in even-numbered years for 4 positions, of which the President, Secretary and two Directors become vacant. In odd-numbered years, 5 positions become vacant, including vice-president, treasurer and three directors. A person may serve a maximum of three consecutive terms, and must wait at least one year before standing for re-election.

## 5.8 and 5.12

#### **Board of Directors: Directors' responsibilities**

All documents relating to the organization's business must be signed by one (1) executive director and management, instead of two directors.

Any resolution voted on online must be presented at the next Board meeting with the results, as well as be incorporated into the minutes of that meeting.

The President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary may act as one of the organization's official signatories, instead of acting solely in place of the President.

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The Secretary must ensure that management maintains all documents, such as by-laws, agendas and minutes, in their appropriate files.

#### Committees

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Committees are responsible for submitting an activity report to the Board of Directors at each Board meeting, if required, instead of to the Secretary.

The Board of Directors may, by resolution passed by a majority of the directors, create any internal committee. It must be composed of at least one (1) Director, and, if required, may include management.

The Nutrition and Learning Committee will be renamed the Kitchen Committee.

The Market Committee has been added with the following objective: Responsible for maintaining and developing the Solidarity Market program and projects.

The Garden and Market committees must be composed of the Director or Program Manager or Garden Coordinator, and at least one (1) administrator, as well as members of Corbeille de Pain Lac St-Louis, instead of just the Director, who may sit on behalf of the team.

#### 8.3 **Members' Meeting**

The quorum will be the smaller of either 15% of members or 20 members present, instead of a 20% quorum.

These changes will be presented at the Annual General Meeting, followed by a membership vote. They will be approved if 50% plus 1 of the members present vote in favour of the proposed changes. If this is not the case, the Board of Directors will make required changes and propose another vote at a special General Meeting.