

By-Law Amendment Proposal

10 Oct 2026 Annual Meeting of the Orangeburgh Genealogical Society/Orangeburgh German-Swiss Genealogical Society

Strike-throughs are deletions, underlines are additions.

The following amendments are proposed for adoption

Amendment 1

Amend Article V, Section 3, as follows:

~~Section 3. Twenty members voting in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.~~

Defining the number of persons for a quorum isn't essential. Several years ago we experimented with an annual meeting on Zoom. The meeting was advertised in both the newsletter and website, but only one member other than board members attended the virtual meeting. Events such as pandemics might drive us back to a virtual meeting or membership might drop to the point that it is unrealistic to expect 20 persons to appear for an annual meeting. The Society shouldn't be paralyzed in those cases.

Amendment 2

Amend Article IX as follows:

The Board of Directors shall include the elected officers, the Immediate Past President, the standing committee chairs and three to seven at large members elected by the Society. The Board shall meet quarterly with authority to conduct business for the Society.

We very much need more folks willing to do the work of the Society, and board participation is an important step toward understanding and participating in the work of OGS.