

## Proposal S

**Date Heard:**

**Vote:**

### Amendment to Bylaws Article 4.4(a)

**Problem:** Staff has told the LNC that there is a difficulty with the CRM in the way we calculate dues and the way that our Bylaws describe them which can include more than just designated dues payments but other “donations.” This presume the dues increase in Proposal B passes, if not, the amount will be \$25.

**Solution:** Increase sustaining membership dues from \$25 to \$50 annually.

**Benefits:** This would better align membership dues in real terms to the last time they were updated.

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
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<p>members of the Party who:</p> <p>a. During the prior 12 months have donated, or have had donated on their behalf, an amount of at least \$25; or</p>	<p>a. <del>During the prior 12 months have donated, or have had donated on their behalf, an amount of at least \$25</del> <u>Have paid, or have paid on their behalf, dues of \$50 in a single payment within the past 365 days</u>; or</p>	<p>members of the Party who:</p> <p>a. Have paid, or have paid on their behalf, dues of \$50 in a single payment within the past 365 days; or</p>
<p><b><i>Proviso:</i></b> For current sustaining members only, this shall go into effect when current memberships lapse with the lapse date fixed as the lapse date which exists at adjournment sine die of this convention.</p>		

**SPONSOR:** Harlos

**MARK-UP LEGEND**

- In replacements, deletions precede additions.
- Deletions are in ~~red bold italic strikethrough~~.
- Additions are in blue bold underline.
- Per LPUS Bylaws, Article XVII, Section 1, the bylaws require a 2/3 vote to pass.
- Per RONR t8 #13, the convention special rules of order require a 2/3 vote with notice or a majority of the entire convention membership