

PROPOSED OCDP BYLAWS CHANGE
Providing for Quarterly General Membership Meetings
(Proposed by Murray Gorchow—3/18/21-)

Article VI. MEETINGS

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SECTION 6. THE FULL OCDP GENERAL MEMBERSHIP SHALL MEET AT LEAST QUARTERLY, AT THE CALL OF THE CHAIR, TO BE INFORMED OF, DISCUSS AND REVIEW THE ACTIVITIES OF THE OCDP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, AND CONDUCT SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY BE OF INTEREST TO THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP. AT LEAST SEVEN (7) DAYS NOTICE SHALL BE GIVEN OF THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF THE MEETING. NOTICE MAY BE GIVEN BY MAIL, ELECTRONIC MAIL, FACSIMILE, OR POSTED ON THE OCDP WEBSITE. A QUORUM SHALL EXIST AT A GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING WHEN TWENTY-FIVE (25) MEMBERS, AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, ARE PRESENT.

(Note: Art. III, Sec. 1 defines the General membership as “members of MDP who reside in Oakland County, Oakland County Precinct Delegates, OCDP Executive Committee members, and OCDP Officers Committee members and elected officials who represent areas in Oakland County.”)

This draft proposal is a modification of the language that was in the old Bylaws adopted in 2011, but intentionally dropped from the current revised Bylaws adopted 7/28/20, because all Executive Committee meetings became joint Executive Committee/General Membership meetings. However, dropping this provision had unintended consequences where our very large meetings now have made it difficult for the Executive Committee to take care of business. Restoring the quarterly General Membership meetings should facilitate giving General Membership more of an opportunity to speak, and at the same time allow a greater focus at Executive Committee meetings on Executive Committee members and Executive Committee business.