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Letters

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Petitions seek member ratification of articles

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With Recreation Centers of Sun City approval, Noel Kasper and I are circulating Petition P-01 and P-02, which will call for a membership ballot vote to amend the Articles of Incorporation to require member ratification before the board can recall board members or write bylaws, board policies, etc.

Here's why:

The members elected the directors. The members should have final say to recall them.

Board members represent the members not the board. Yet, the board admits to compelling unanimous voting after privately gaining a majority. The board can use the threat of recall to coerce compliance. Recently, the board actually recalled a board member for reasons that did not include malfeasance or misfeasance, which resulted in her public humiliation.

Members themselves are required to have approximately 3600 valid signatures on a recall petition to bring recall to a membership vote. Six board members should be required to bring recall to a membership vote, as well.

Further, when the board enacts bylaws and board policies it "changes the contract" that homeowners signed when they bought into Sun City. To avoid being at the mercy of five layman board members who were elected with as few as 500 votes, changes to the contract should be voted on by the homeowners for accountability.

Recently, the board proposed raising the preservation and improvement fee by 20 percent in a depressed real estate market, raising it from \$2,500 to \$3,000. When hundreds of members showed up to object vehemently, the board proceeded to increase the fee as planned and then

enacted bylaws and board policies to keep the Members from interfering with them on this and other issues in the future.

Specifically, the board unanimously voted to eliminate membership meetings by increasing the quorum from 100 to approximately 3600; there is not a venue to hold such a crowd. And they unanimously voted to thwart petition circulation by decreasing the deadline from 180 days to 90 days to collect 3,600 valid signatures.

Recent board actions illustrate the Members' need to act to change the Articles to require membership ratification for recalling board members and changing bylaws, board policies and any other rules, however denominated.

So, if you agree, we need you to bring your RCSC Rec Card and come to us to sign and get trained to circulate petitions. We will be at "The Dog Park" on Thunderbird Rd at Del Webb Bl across from the LaRonde Center Westside every day between Noon and 2 p.m.

Or, you can get it done on your own by picking up Petition P-01 and P-02 and instructions at "UPS Send Me Store" on Del Webb at Talisman, La Ronde Center Eastside (the Tivoli Gardens parking lot).

Return completed Petition P-01 and P-02 when signed and notarized to Anne Randall Stewart, 10526 W Tropicana Cir, Sun City, AZ 85351. If you need a free notary, call Notary Noel Kasper at 623-933-3526 to get notarized before turning them in.

See <http://www.annereport.com/petition.html> for updates. Questions? Call Anne at 623-933-6192 or email at anne@annereport.com.