

**SOAR-8**  
**Motion F: Fund TWO Co-Chairs of the Tech Web Committee**

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	<b>Adopted</b>
	<b>Amended</b>
	<b>Lost</b>

**Motion:** Move to amend P & P Manual, Article IX, Section A.5 as follows:

<b>CURRENT WORDING</b>	<b>PROPOSED WORDING</b>
<p>Article IX Financial Policies, Section A General</p> <p>5. The following positions are funded within the guidelines hereinafter stated: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, and the chairs of the following committees: Ways and Means, IGOR, Bylaws/Electronic Documents, Public Information/ Professional Outreach, Twelfth-Step Within, <del>Technology/Web Site</del>, and Unity with Diversity.</p>	<p>Article IX Financial Policies, Section A General</p> <p>1. The following positions are funded within the guidelines hereinafter stated: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, and the chairs of the following committees: Ways and Means, IGOR, Bylaws/Electronic Documents, Public Information/Professional Outreach, Twelfth-Step Within, <del>Technology/Web Site</del>, and Unity with Diversity, <b><u>and two Co-Chairs of the Technology/ Web Site Committee.</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">a)</p>

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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**INTENT:**

The intent of this motion is to request funding for a second person on the Technology/Web Site Committee (two Co-Chairs) for travel/expenses to the Business Assemblies.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

Starting with the spring 2020 business assembly. This will fall under a new fiscal year.

**COST:**

\$1,200 (per year, approximately). The Treasurer stated that the budget allows \$600 for each funded chair per business assembly.

**RATIONALE:**

Since the adoption of virtual attendance and, more recently, virtual voting during the business assemblies, the Tech/Web Committee responsibilities have increased, while the desire to assist on the Tech/Web Committee has decreased. At the spring 2018 assembly, we “recruited” a talented person from the recovery convention to help with the Tech/Web Committee. At the assembly in fall 2018, only one person was physically present to handle two computers: one for real-time projection and the other for real-time communication with the virtual attendees. When no one from the rooms stepped up to assist Tech/Web, the Vice-Chair stepped down from the dais to support their responsibilities.

It is imperative that **at least** two people be present at each business assembly to handle the responsibilities and the equipment of the Tech/Web Committee. These responsibilities include:

- Monitoring all the virtual attendees. This includes working with the Secretary to make sure they are all informed and on-line, answering their questions through chat, and trying to maintain the internet connections, video and audio feeds.
- Displaying all of the readings, motions and other presentations on the screen. Modifying the text in motions as they are amended.
- Maintaining, setting up, and running all the equipment: two laptop computers, a microphone, camera and projector.

Scrambling at the last minute to recruit a second person to assist with the Tech/Web committee is not efficient. The job cannot be done with only one person. It will be easier to fund a second person – thus ensuring their attendance at the business assembly. The qualifications are few: if you can use a smart phone and/or computer, we can teach you to run the software needed during the business assembly.