

Voting Rights

An old HVLA Board majority (2013-14) had denied members the right to vote on the design, building and funding of the "Hartmann Event Center" and the right to vote on the replacement of a Director removed by recall. The "Real" issue was "legal interpretation". This was clearly the result of the small group that "runs" HVLA attempting to have a \$10-12 Million "Event Center" built and to remove Directors not supporting their agenda. Both issues were subsequently changed in HVLA By-laws.

All members-in-good-standing are entitled to one-vote-per-property. "In-good-standing" means dues paid-up, no fines outstanding and no other fees outstanding.

Historically, only an average of 30% of all property owners in HVLA has voted in elections for Directors or other issues. Additionally, there have been chronic complaints, year after year, about election irregularities. The Elections Committee conducted a review in 2015-16. Results from that review have never been revealed to the Assn. membership.

HVL Owner Advocate holds the opinion that voter turn-out has been suppressed in HVLA due to the controlling influences of the group noted above. They have systematically kept existing and newer members out-of-the-loop regarding Assn. governance/management issues, painting a falsely "rosy" picture of Assn. conditions and made participation in governance by anyone not in accord with their ideas a thoroughly frustrating, unpleasant experience.

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