

I am proposing this bylaw change to help ensure a better transition period for our leadership and to protect against the loss of institutional memory. Currently, our bylaws state that new officers take over their elected office on the Monday following their election. In the past, this has regularly meant that new officers have had to organize and run large meetings, social events, and meet represent the GTFF in meeting where they haven't been properly prepared. By treating the first few weeks after an election as a transition period where the outgoing officers are committed to seeing the school year through and the new officers can learn the whole scope of the positions they are taking on, we can spend more time moving forward as a union and less time relearning the basics.

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