

Bylaws Revisions Summary

The original Bylaws of the AABP were adopted at the Spring Board meeting in March 2019 after the formation of the 501.C6 organization. They have been revised on two other occasions after successful motions passed at the annual conferences in 2021 and 2022. The current Bylaws are under a third revision to clarify some sections and more closely align the document with how AABP operates.

Summary of the changes

- **Article I Section 3:** Changes to the wording of the principal office of the association from Ashland, OH to any location chosen by the executive director with Board approval.
- **Article III Section 1B1:** Clarification on the privileges and expectations of Honorary Association Members.
- **Article III Section 1B2:** Clarification on the privileges and expectations of Honorary Non-Association Members.
- **Article III Section 1C:** Clarification on requirements, privileges and expectations of Honorary Honor Roll Members.
- **Article III Section 4:** Wording was changed to be compatible with the change to a calendar year fiscal year.
- **Article IV Section 2A:** Worded to that the Board could be increased OR decreased.
- **Article IV Section 2B3:** Officially added the Caribbean veterinary schools to District III.
- **Article IV Section 5C:** More succinctly defined eligible ballots.
- **Article IV Section 7D:** Clarified the reporting requirements of the Executive Committee to the Board.
- **Article V Section 1E4:** Preparation of all newsletters not just monthly and added Recent Grad Conference proceedings.
- **Article V Section 5B:** Included that Board approval is needed for nominees.
- **Article V Section 5D:** Added announcement of election outcome.
- **Article VII:** Reordered Articles so that Parliamentary Authority occurs prior to formation of the Bylaws committee later in the document.
- **Article VII Section 3B:** More clearly delineated the duties of the Parliamentarian.
- **Article VIII Section 2:** Added Board approval
- **Article VIII Section 3:** Included identification of CE opportunities to committee activities.

- **Article VIII Section 5:** Clarified that committee outputs must have Board approval.
- **Article VIII Section 6A2d:** Aligned the activities of the Nominations Committee to more closely represent the current process.
- **Article VIII Section 6A6:** Defines the composition of the Bylaws Committee.
- **Article VIII Section 6B3:** Clarified that committee members need Board approval.
- **Article VIII Section 9:** Delineated the reporting process for committees to the Board.
- **Article IX Section 1B:** Included wording to address the current forms of electronic communication.
- **Article IX Section 2B1:** Included wording to address the current forms of electronic communication.
- **Article IX Section C:** Included the word “voting” members present.
- **Article IX Section D through E and Article XII Section 1:** Included Officers among the voting members of the Board.