



Proposed By-Law Amendments

Amendment Proposal #1 – Remove 3.1 (k)

~~(k) To establish or participate in a mentor program to encourage high school students to stay in school, pursue and further their education and training, and establish and maintain positive goals and values; and~~

Amendment Proposal #2 – 8.1 Change from March → August for good standing

8.1 ELECTION OF BOARD. The Officers and Board of Directors of the Association shall be elected annually by members in good standing at the ~~March~~August meeting. In contested election votes shall be cast in writing by secret ballot. Election of said Officers and Board of Directors shall be by the majority of votes cast by members in good standing present.

Amendment Proposal #3 – 10.1 change typo teh →the

ARTICLE X -COMPOSITION AND DUTIES OF COMMITTEES

10.1 JUDICIAL SCREENING COMMITTEE. The Judicial Screening Committee shall consist of eight to ten (8-10) members, seven (7) of which have been members in good standing for at least one (1) year prior to their appointment, as well as ~~teh-the~~ Immediate Past-President who may elect to serve, but is not required to serve in an ex-officio capacity. One member of the Judicial Screening Committee shall act as the Liaison to the Board, and shall be a member of the Board. The Immediate Past President, although not eligible to vote unless having been previously appointed to serve on the Judicial Screening Committee, may otherwise participate and is subject to the Committee rules as set forth in 10.1.C. The Chair of the Judicial Screening Committee shall be recommended to the Board by the Liaison, and subject to the approval of the Board. The Committee Chair and Liaison shall recommend the members of the Committee to the Board. Committee members shall serve for three-year terms, beginning September 1 of a given year, as terms expire or a committee member resigns. The appointment for any resigning member shall be for the remainder of the resigning member's term. Each member's term shall be for three (3) years and shall begin September 1.



Amendment Proposal #4 – E. No judicial candidates allowed to attend Judicial Endorsements Meeting

E. RECOMMENDATION. In order for a judicial candidate to be endorsed by the Association, the committee shall present a recommendation to the general membership which shall act upon such recommendation at a regular meeting of the general membership designated for such purpose, the “Judicial Endorsement Meeting.” No member of the judiciary, and No judicial candidate, whether in a contested race or not, shall be allowed to attend the ~~meeting during which recommended judicial candidates are presented, discussed and voted upon~~ Judicial Endorsement Meeting. No spouse/~~partner~~, child, or parent of a judicial candidate, nor employee or staff of a judicial candidate shall be allowed to attend the portion of the Judicial Endorsement Meeting during which the race including that particular ~~recommended~~ judicial candidate is presented, discussed, and voted upon. No judicial candidate shall be eligible to receive endorsement from AWA unless such candidate shall have interviewed with the Screening Committee for the election for which endorsements are being considered.

Amendment Proposal #5 – E. 1 Typo fix & change Proxies → Absentee Ballots

(1) ~~Proxies~~ Absentee Ballot. Eligible voters unable to attend the meeting may submit a completed ballot in advance of the meeting, on a form approved by the Board of Directors, signed by the member, and submitted to ~~teh the President or President-Elect~~ person or place designated by the Board at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the meeting.

Amendment Proposal #6 – E. 2 Change eligible voter to be in good standing 14 days before endorsement and change language from calendar year to membership year

(2) Eligible Voter. Only members who are members in good standing ~~on the as of 30th~~ 14 days before the ~~endorsement meeting~~ Judicial Endorsement Meeting and whose dues are paid for the current ~~calendar~~ membership year shall be eligible to vote or remain in attendance during discussion of the candidates.

Amendment Proposal #7 12.1 – Meetings to be defined as in-person/virtual events and CLE’s

12.1 MONTHLY MEETINGS. A general membership meeting shall be held once monthly upon prior notice, at a time and place to be determined by the Board. Meeting is defined broadly to include any in-person or virtual event, including CLE trainings. Except at the discretion of the Board, any meeting may be canceled.



Amendment #8 – 13.1 typo correction

13.1 Each person who may have served as a Director, Officer or Committee member of the AWA shall be indemnified by the AWA against liabilities imposed upon her and expenses reasonably incurred by her in connection with any claim made against her, for any action, suit, or proceeding to which she maybe a party by reason of her being or having been, such Director, Officer or Committee member or by reason of any action alleged to have been heretofore or hereafter taken or omitted by her as such Director, Officer or Committee member, and shall be reimbursed for all legal and other expenses (including the cost of settlement) reasonably incurred by her in connection with any such claim, liability suit, action or proceeding; however, no Director, Officer or Committee member shall be indemnified with respect to matters constituting gross negligence or willful misdeed. Such indemnification shall be in addition to any other rights to which Directors, Officers or Committee members may be entitled. The determination of all questions as to the existence of gross negligence or willful misconduct, as to the right to indemnification and reimbursement hereunder and the reasonableness of such costs and expenses may be made, and shall be final and conclusive if made, by the Board of Directors acting at a meeting at ~~whicf i~~which a quorum is unaffected by self-interest (notwithstanding that² other members of the quorum present but not voting may be so affected).

Amendment #9 – 14.1 change to record of the minutes and dues. And records shall be made available.

14.1 INSPECTION OF RECORDS. The Officers and Board members designated to maintain ~~the scrapbook, minute book, and dues book~~the records of the minutes and dues shall make such ~~books-records~~ available to the membership at a regular or special meeting upon one week's written request.