

Reasoning for Board Amended ADSOEF BYLAWS

Report of the ADSOEF Governance Committee

Changes to ADSOEF Bylaws that do not affect the meaning or intention, but simply add or change a word for clarification, are not included here.

ARTICLE	ORIGINAL BYLAWS	AMENDED BYLAWS	REASONING
Article III Membership	<p>—state members' rights to attend Annual Meetings and participate in elections</p> <p>—members and chapters may apply for funds that carry out the mission and purposes of ADSOEF</p>	<p>---add that members may be elected to serve on the board and may serve on and/or chair committees</p> <p>—Only members may apply for funds</p> <p>—Members may notify Directors in the event of evidence of a credible breach in Foundation operations.</p>	<p>—clarifies opportunities for members to participate in ADSOEF</p> <p>---not legal for chapters to apply for funds</p> <p>—insures transparency of the Foundation</p>
Article V Board of Directors	<p>—10 voting Directors, 7 elected, 3 by position in OSO</p> <p>—Directors will serve 4-year terms, limited to two consecutive terms (total of 8 years).</p> <p>—Elections will occur in odd numbered years, replacing those whose term has expired.</p> <p>—Treasurer may be the OSO treasurer</p> <p>—OSO President and Past President are automatically (non-elected) voting members.</p>	<p>—10 voting Directors, all elected by members</p> <p>—Directors will serve 2-year terms, limited to three consecutive terms (total of 6 years).</p> <p>—With staggered terms, elections will occur every year, 5 each year.</p> <p>—OSO Past President is not automatically a member, must be elected</p> <p>—Treasurer will be appointed from the elected Directors</p> <p>—OSO President may attend meetings as a non-voting member, but shall have no duties.</p>	<p>—Shortens term for Directors, not as much of a time commitment</p> <p>—Insures that all voting members have been elected, thus committing to be part of the Board</p> <p>(For the year 2021, some Directors will be elected for 3-year terms. This will result in 5 Directors elected each year from 2022 on.)</p> <p>—Treasurer has the right to vote</p> <p>—Eases the load for OSO President, (she has loads of responsibility), and prevents conflict of priorities in voting</p>
Article VI Committees	<p>—Nominations for Director were included in the OSO Nominating Committee responsibilities</p>	<p>—A Nominating Committee is established as a standing committee of ADSOEF</p>	<p>—Puts responsibility to fill Director positions on ADSOEF, omits conflict for OSO committee</p>