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2023 – 2024 Budget

RESOLVED, that the 2023 – 2024 Tennessee Dental Association budget of \$1,681,255 as prepared by the Budget and Finance Committee and amended by the Board of Trustees, be approved.

The Board of Trustees recommends adoption.

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Appointments to Councils and Committees

RESOLVED, that the complete list of nominees for membership on the Councils and Committees of the Association, submitted and proposed by the Board of Trustees, in accordance with Chapter IV, Section 70 of the *Bylaws*, be elected.

Remove Reference to Dental Office Auxiliary Member

BACKGROUND STATEMENT: The Constitution and Bylaws Committee found a reference to Dental Office Auxiliary Member in the Bylaws, which is a membership category that was eliminated. This resolution will remove the outdated wording to be consistent with current organizational structure.

Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the TDA *Bylaws, Chapter I, Membership, Section 40. Privileges, Item H (6)* be amended as follows (new language underscored, deletions ~~stricken~~):

Right of Hearing: A member who is charged (1) with having been found guilty of a felony; or (2) with having been found guilty of violating the Dental Practice Act of this state; or (3) with violating the Principles of Ethics of this Association, or of the American Dental Association or those of the component society of which he is a member; or (4) with violating the *Constitution and Bylaws* of this Association or those of the component society of which he is a member; or (5) with failure to abide by a final decision of the Peer Review Committee; ~~or (6) with respect to a dental office auxiliary member, with actions contrary to the objectives and purposes of the Association,~~ shall have the right of a hearing before the Judicial Committee or similar body of his component society charged with enforcing professional ethics. The person so charged shall be given in writing a list of the specific charges made against him and a written notice of the time and place of the hearing at least ten (10) days prior to said hearing. The hearing shall be conducted in an impartial manner, giving to interested parties full opportunity to present all relevant and material evidence and testimony. A written record of said hearing shall be recorded by the secretary of the component society, or by a person designated by him, and made available to the accused member.

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tennessee Dental Association Bylaws be amended accordingly.

Bylaws change requires 2/3 affirmative vote for adoption.

Membership Dues Alignment When Elected After July 1

BACKGROUND STATEMENT: When the TDA *Bylaws* were amended in 2021 to align TDA dues with the ADA dues structure, a portion was not changed regarding dues when a member is elected after July 1st of that year. To reflect dues amounts correctly and eliminate confusion, this item should be corrected in the TDA *Bylaws*.

Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the TDA *Bylaws, Chapter X, Finances, Section 10. Membership Dues, Item F* be amended as follows (new language underscored, deletions ~~stricken~~):

Members Elected After July 1 ~~And October 1~~: Those members elected to active membership in this Association for the first time or reinstated after an entire year lapse in membership and who are elected after July 1 shall pay ~~one-half (1/2) of the current year's dues; and who are elected after October 1 shall pay one-quarter (1/4) of the current year's dues;~~ a dues amount consistent with the percentage of the current year's dues stated in the most recent edition of the *ADA Governance & Organizational Manual*. ~~except that a student member, upon classification as an active member shall pay no further dues for the remainder of the calendar year in which the member was entitled to the benefits of student membership.~~

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tennessee Dental Association Bylaws be amended accordingly.

Bylaws change requires 2/3 affirmative vote for adoption.