

**REFERENCE COMMITTEE**

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HOUSE OF DELEGATES

May 6, 2018

**B&F – 18 – 2**  
**2018 – 2019 Budget**

**RESOLVED**, that the 2018 – 2019 Tennessee Dental Association budget of \$1,987,701 as prepared by the Budget and Finance Committee, be approved.

Mr. Speaker, the Reference Committee recommends adoption of B&F – 18 – 2.

**BT1 – 18 – 1**

**Transfer of Membership from One Component to Another Component**

**RESOLVED**, that Bylaws CHAPTER II Section 30, MEMBERSHIP: be changed by deleting Item E and replacing with:

E. If a member in good standing of this Association moves their practice from the jurisdiction of one component society to another, the TDA shall transfer membership to the new component and notify the secretary of the component to which the member has moved.

**Bylaws change requires 2/3 majority vote for adoption.**

Mr. Speaker, the Reference Committee recommends adoption of BT1 – 18 – 1.

**BT1 – 18 – 2**  
**TDA Vice President Term Extended to Two Years**

**RESOLVED**, that Bylaws CHAPTER VII • Elective Officers, Section 50. TENURE OF OFFICE be changed by adding to the first sentence to read as follows:

The elective officers shall serve for a term of one (1) year or until their successors in office are elected and installed, except for Vice Presidents who will serve a two-year term.

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the start date would include the Vice Presidents elected in 2018 with terms staggered according to a rotation determined by the Board of Trustees;

and be it further

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

**Bylaws change requires 2/3 majority vote for adoption.**

Mr. Speaker, the Reference Committee recommends adoption of BT1-18-2.

**BT1 – 18 – 3**  
**Reduce the Size of the TDA House of Delegates**

**RESOLVED**, that Bylaws CHAPTER III, Section 10. A. first sentence change the number of delegates from 102 to 50;

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that Bylaws CHAPTER III, Section 20. first paragraph, last sentence be changed to delete “Method of Least Proportionate Error” and reworded as follows:

The remaining number of delegates shall be allocated to component societies proportionally based upon their active, life and retired members.

and be it further

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

**Bylaws change requires 2/3 majority vote for adoption.**

Mr. Speaker, the Reference Committee recommends adoption of BT1 – 18 – 3.

**BT2 – 18 – 1**  
**Waiver of Dues and Board of Trustees Approval**

**RESOLVED**, that Bylaws Chapter II, Section 30, Paragraph C shall be amended by substituting “An active member who has suffered a significant financial hardship that prohibits them from payment of the full dues and/or any special assessment may be excused from the payment of twenty-five percent (25%), fifty percent (50%), seventy-five percent (75%) or all of the current year’s ADA, TDA and component society dues and /or any special assessment as determined by their constituent and component dental societies. The component society shall certify the reason for the waiver, and forward to the TDA Board of Trustees for consideration and action. The ADA, the TDA and the component society shall provide the same proportionate reduction in any approved waivers. See Chapter X, Section 10, Paragraph J.”

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that Bylaws Chapter X, Section 10, Paragraph J shall be amended by substituting “An active member who has suffered a significant financial hardship that prohibits them from payment of the full dues and/or any special assessment may be excused from the payment of twenty-five percent (25%), fifty percent (50%), seventy-five percent (75%) or all of the current year’s ADA, TDA and component society dues and /or any special assessment as determined by their constituent and component dental societies. The component society shall certify the reason for the waiver, and forward to the TDA Board of Trustees for consideration and action. The ADA, the TDA and the component society shall provide the same proportionate reduction in any approved waivers. Additionally, a member of this association, while receiving assistance from the Relief Fund of this Association or from the Relief Fund of the American Dental Association, shall be exempt from the payment of dues during the period of such assistance.

and be it further

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

**Bylaws change requires 2/3 majority vote for adoption.**

Mr. Speaker, the Reference Committee recommends adoption of BT2 – 18 – 1.

**BT3 – 18 – 1**  
**Merge the Annual Session Committee into the Council on  
Scientific Programs and Continuing Education**

**RESOLVED**, that Bylaws CHAPTER VI, Scientific Session, Section 30. MANAGEMENT, delete the phrase “and the Committee on Annual Session” to read as follows:

The Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education shall have full charge of all details relating to the annual scientific session and shall operate in accordance with the procedural manual adopted by the Board of Trustees.

and be it further

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

**Bylaws change requires 2/3 majority vote for adoption.**

Mr. Speaker, the Reference Committee recommends BT3 – 18 – 1 be referred back to the Board of Trustees for development of a policy and procedures manual regarding the duties of this council to accompany the resolution before reconsideration.

## **BT3 – 18 – 2**

### **Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education**

**RESOLVED**, that Bylaws CHAPTER IX, Councils, Section 130. COUNCIL ON SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMS AND CONTINUING EDUCATION be deleted and replaced with:

The Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education shall be composed of nine (9) members, one from each component society, the President and his/her meeting General Chair, and the President-elect and his/her meeting General Chair. Ex officio members of the council will be the liaison from the Board of Trustees and the TDA Executive Director. Each component member will serve a three-year term with a 2-term limit. The President-elect and his/her meeting General Chair will serve for two years or until the President-elect's term as President is completed.

The council's duties shall be:

- A. Develop and oversee all aspects of the annual business meeting and scientific session in conjunction with the President's component society and the TDA Executive Director.
- B. Provide onsite meeting management by assisting the TDA staff and appointing component member volunteers.
- C. Coordinate fundraising strategies and recruit sponsors for the annual business meeting and scientific session.
- D. Study, recommend and initiate programs for the dental professions.
- E. Monitor the TDA's Approved Continuing Education Program (ACE).

and be if further,

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

**Bylaws change requires 2/3 majority vote for adoption.**

Mr. Speaker, the Reference Committee recommends BT3 – 18 – 2 be referred back to the Board of Trustees for development of a policy and procedures manual regarding the duties of this council to accompany the resolution before reconsideration.

**BT3 – 18 – 3**

**Allow President and President-elect Voting Privileges on the Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education**

**RESOLVED**, that Chapter VII Elective Officers, Section 80 Duties, Paragraph A Duties of the President, Paragraph 2. add “with the exception of serving as a voting member of the Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education” to read as follows:

A.2. To serve as Chairman without vote, except in case of tie, of the Board of Trustees and, as ex-officio member without vote, of the councils and committees of this Association with the exception of serving as a voting member of the Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education. To serve as ex-officio member of the House of Delegates.

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that Chapter VII Elective Officers, Section 80 Duties, Paragraph B Duties of the President-elect, add the following item:

B.10. Serve as a voting member of the Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education.

and be it further

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

**Bylaws change requires 2/3 majority vote for adoption.**

Mr. Speaker, the Reference Committee recommends BT3 – 18 – 3 be referred back to the Board of Trustees for development of a policy and procedures manual regarding the duties of this council to accompany the resolution before reconsideration.

**BT3 – 18 – 4**  
**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.

Mr. Speaker, the Reference Committee recommends adoption of BT3 – 18 –4.

**ND – 18 – 1**

**Student Membership**

The Reference Committee recommends amended resolution

**ND – 18 – 1RC**

**RESOLVED**, that Bylaws Chapter I, Section 20, Paragraph E shall be reworded as follows:

E. Student Member:

1. A predoctoral student of a dental school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation and located in the State of Tennessee, and who is an ASDA member, will automatically be a student member of the Tennessee Dental Association.
2. A dentist who is engaged in a full-time post-doctoral program of not less than one (1) academic year in a CODA accredited education facility located in the State of Tennessee, may make direct application to the ADA. Upon enrollment in the ADA, the dentist will automatically be a graduate student member of the Tennessee Dental Association.

and be it further

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

**Bylaws change requires 2/3 majority vote for adoption.**

Mr. Speaker, the Reference Committee recommends adoption of ND – 18 – 1RC.

**BT4 – 18 – 1**  
**Add Affiliate Membership Category**

Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that **Chapter 1, Membership**, Section 10, CLASSIFICATION be changed to add: E. Affiliate

and reletter: F. Student  
G. Retired

and be it further,

RESOLVED, that **Chapter 1, Membership**, Section 20, QUALIFICATIONS add:

E. Affiliate Member: A person not eligible for Active, Life, Student, or Retired membership in this Association, but is a member of a health-related organization. Affiliate membership will be granted automatically upon subscription to certain Association products and/or services.

and reletter: F. Student Member  
G. Retired Member

and be it further

RESOLVED that **Chapter 1, Membership**, Section 40, PRIVILEGES add:

E. Affiliate Member: An affiliate member shall have the privilege of attending all scientific sessions of the Association, but shall have no vote nor be eligible to hold any office in the Association.

and reletter items E through I to F through J

and be it further

RESOLVED that **Chapter X, Finances**, Section 10, MEMBERSHIP DUES change item D to read: Honorary, Associate, and Affiliate Members: Honorary, associate, and affiliate members shall be exempt from the payment of dues.

**Bylaws requires 2/3 majority vote for adoption.**

Mr. Speaker, the Reference Committee recommends adoption of BT4 – 18 – 1.

The Chair of the Reference Committee thanks the members of the 2018 Reference Committee for their open and knowledgeable input in completing the duties of this committee.

The Committee wishes to acknowledge the administrative services of Mrs. Amy Williams who assisted the Reference Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

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