

**B&F – 19 – 1**

**2019 – 2020 Budget**

**RESOLVED**, that the 2019 – 2020 Tennessee Dental Association budget of \$1,770,770 as prepared by the Budget and Finance Committee, be approved.

The Board of Trustees recommends adoption.

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**Reduce the Size of the TDA House of Delegates**

**BACKGROUND STATEMENT:** Because it is often difficult to gather a quorum of delegates to attend the House of Delegates, the Board of Trustees Task Force on Governance believes the House of Delegates should be reduced in size by one-third plus two student delegates, one from each dental school, which they believe would involve an adequate statewide representation of those truly interested in the business of the TDA and better enable a meeting quorum to accomplish the business of the TDA.

Therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that Bylaws CHAPTER III, Section 10. A. first sentence change the number of delegates from 102 to 68;

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.

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

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

The Board of Trustees recommends adoption.

**Sunset of the TDA Wellness Committee**

**BACKGROUND STATEMENT:** The TDA Wellness Committee (formerly called the Committee on Disabled Dentists, the Concerned Dentists Committee, and the Concerned Dental Professionals Committee) was formed by the TDA House of Delegates in 1981 on the recommendation of the TDA Board of Trustees. For 38 years the Committee has performed valuable and necessary service to dental professionals impaired by substance abuse. On July 1, 2019 the functions of the Wellness Committee will pass to a new legal entity, the Tennessee Wellness Foundation. This new organization will no longer be under the governance or control of the Tennessee Dental Association.

Therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that all past and present members of the TDA Wellness Committee be commended for their service to the profession;

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the TDA Wellness Committee cease to exist as a special committee of the Tennessee Dental Association as of July 1, 2019.

The Board of Trustees recommends adoption.

**Consolidate Annual Session Committee with the  
Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education**

**BACKGROUND STATEMENT:** To have a more consistent approach to the TDA annual meeting with continuity to the planning as well as assist smaller districts in the implementation of this major TDA event, this resolution would consolidate the Annual Session Committee with the Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education. Members of the council would be altered to include the president-elect’s input in the planning of the meeting occurring during their year as TDA President.

Therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that Bylaws, Chapter VI / Scientific Sessions / Section 30. MANAGEMENT be changed to delete “and the Committee on Annual Session” to read as follows:

**Section 30 MANAGEMENT**

The Council of 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 Chapter IX / Councils / Section 130. COUNCIL ON SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMS AND CONTINUING EDUCATION be changed regarding member composition from nine members to eleven and reworded as follows:

**Section 130. COUNCIL ON SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMS AND CONTINUING EDUCATION**

The Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education shall be composed of eleven (11) members, one from each component society, the President-Elect, and the President-Elect appointed Annual Session General Advisor. The council’s duties shall be:

- A. Develop and conduct scientific programs for the membership.
- B. Coordinate and provide oversight to the annual scientific session.
- C. Study, recommend and initiate programs designed to promote continuing education and training programs for the dental profession and its auxiliary personnel.
- D. Supervise and conduct planning of all programs of the annual scientific session.
- E. If exhibits are to be held and/or sponsorships requested, the council shall manage and oversee those areas associated with the annual business meeting and/or scientific session.
- F. Monitor the association’s Approved Continuing Education Program (ACE).

and be it further

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

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

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.

The Board of Trustees recommends adoption.

**Volunteer Service Award: Remove Individual Recognition**

**BACKGROUND STATEMENT:** The Council on State Agencies, Awards, Ethics and Judicial Affairs recognized a decline in submission of applications for the Volunteer Service Award during recent years. The council explored various ways to increase participation, however recognition for volunteer service appears to defeat the nature of our members’ selfless service and produces very few applicants. The council believes it to be valuable to capture the data regarding volunteer service performed for use when media or governmental agencies inquire regarding dentistry’s attempt to assist the underserved in the United States of America and around the world.

Therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, Bylaws Chapter IX / Councils / Section 150 be changed as follows:

Delete

E. To select Volunteer Service Award recipients from the membership annually, the award to be presented at the annual session to members completing at least one week of voluntary service to a foreign country;

Replace with

E. The TDA membership will be gauged periodically for their volunteer service hours for use in providing information regarding oral health assistance to the underserved.

and be it further

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

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

The Board of Trustees recommends adoption.