



2020 Bylaws Proposed Changes

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| | <p>1. Acts as the voice for open communication between Community Council stakeholders and AACPDM members.</p> |
| <p>Article VII – Committees</p> <p>Section 1. Standing Committees</p> <p>The Standing Committees of the ACADEMY shall consist of an Executive Committee, Finance Committee, Nominating Committee, Publications Committee and Scientific Program Committee, to be elected or appointed as hereinafter provided.</p> <p>A. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the elected officers of the ACADEMY and the Executive Director - ex-officio, with the President as chairperson. During the interim between meetings of the Board of Directors it will act on urgent matters or on matters referred to it by the Board. Its actions are subject to ratification by the Board of Directors.</p> <p>B. Finance Committee. This Committee is responsible for the financial status and operation of the ACADEMY, as directed by the Board of Directors. This committee shall be composed of the Treasurer as Chair, the Secretary and Secretary-Elect, and the Treasurer-Elect, with the Executive Director as an ex-officio member. The committee reports directly to the Board of Directors.</p> | <p>Article VII - Committees</p> <p>Section 1. Standing Committees</p> <p>The Standing Committees of the ACADEMY shall consist of an Executive Committee, Finance Committee, Nominating Committee, Publications Committee and Scientific Program Committee, to be elected or appointed as hereinafter provided.</p> <p>A. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the elected officers of the ACADEMY, the Past President, and the Executive Director - ex-officio, with the President as chairperson. During the interim between meetings of the Board of Directors it will act on urgent matters or on matters referred to it by the Board. Its actions are subject to ratification by the Board of Directors.</p> <p>B. Finance Committee. This Committee is responsible for the financial status and operation of the ACADEMY, as directed by the Board of Directors. This committee shall be composed of the Treasurer as Chair, the Secretary and Secretary-Elect, the President, the Past President, and the Treasurer-Elect, with the Executive Director as an ex-officio member. The committee reports directly to the Board of Directors.</p> |
| <p>An Article on the Community Council did not exist. Since the Community Council Article is inserted at this point, the following article titles will be adjusted in numbering.</p> | <p>Article VIII - Community Council</p> <p>Section I. Description</p> <p>The Community Council represents various constituencies of the cerebral palsy and developmental disability communities and serves in an advisory capacity to the AACPDM Board of Directors. It provides input into the provision of health and related services, wellness, research, lay and professional education efforts for those with cerebral palsy and other childhood-onset developmental disabilities.</p> <p>Section 2. Membership</p> <p>A. Leadership.</p> <p>The leadership consists of three Community Council members and two AACPDM members</p> |

1. Chairperson: 1 year progressing from Chair-Elect

The Chairperson is to sit on the AACPDM Board of Directors as an ex-officio Board Member.

2. Chair-Elect: 1 year, appointed by consensus of CC.

3. Past-Chair: 1 year, progressing from Chair position.

Position holds full voting privileges.

4. AACPDM Chair of Advocacy Committee: 1-year term, to coincide with their term end date on the Advocacy Committee.

5. AACPDM: member of the Presidential line or Board Liaison for Advocacy Committee: 1-year term, to coincide with their term end date.

B. Members.

In addition to the leadership, 10 members serve staggered terms of three years each, renewable for one additional term. No member may serve more than 6 years on the Community Council, unless progressing through to a leadership role.

a. Selection of Members:

New members of the Community Council will be appointed and approved by the Council by a majority vote, held during a meeting in September, prior to the ACPDM Annual Meeting. All Members of the Community Council are subject to final approval by the AACPDM Board of Directors.

b. Selection Criteria

- i. Individuals with a disability or family members of a person with a disability including cerebral palsy or other childhood-onset disabilities. It is anticipated that at least two members of the council should have a disability.

ii. Employees or volunteers of a patient advocacy or charitable organization.

c. Vacancies:

When a Community Council Member resigns prior to their term end date, the Community Council will fill the position during the next appointment cycle in September.

d. Removal:

A Community Council member can be removed from the council by two thirds vote of the Council based on the individual's misconduct. Misconduct includes consistently failing or refusing to perform his/her duties, repeatedly not attending Community Council meetings, or participating in acts of dishonesty or willful misconduct with respect to their responsibilities.

Section 3. Rules and Procedures:

The Community Council shall determine its own rules and procedures. A majority of the qualified members of the Community Council, including the Chair, shall constitute a quorum to do business, and the affirmative vote of the majority of those present shall be necessary to appoint new members. Minutes of all meetings of the Community Council shall be kept and filed with the AACPDM office.

Section 4. Meetings

The Community Council will conduct periodic meetings via web or audio conferencing. A staff liaison from the AACPDM office will assist in developing agendas and facilitating the meetings. An in-person meeting will be scheduled for Community Council members attending the AACPDM Annual Meeting.

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