

ACFSA Proposed Bylaws Change Rationale

The Board of Directors of ACFSA is recommending proposed amendments to the ACFSA Bylaws and is referring these amendments to the ACFSA voting membership for a vote

The Board urges members to review the revised Bylaws carefully prior to voting on them. The exact changes can be viewed at <http://www.acfsa.org/documents/ProposedBylawsChangesOct2009.pdf>.

The proposed change is to combine the Vice President-Elect and Treasurer positions into one position.

Rational: The board felt that it was important for the Vice President-Elect to gain a thorough understanding of the finances and financial position of the association, and this would ensure the Vice President-Elect was actively involved in this area. It would also help the board reduce expenses by eliminating this position and the need to reimburse travel, hotel, etc. for the board meeting(s). Times change, and ACFSA is working hard to institute new policies in the best interest of members.

Ballots must be submitted by June 18, 2010 in order to be counted. A majority of ACFSA members must vote in favor of these changes for the revised bylaws to take effect.

Casting your ballot lets your voice be heard. Thank you for your participation in the ACFSA governance process.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Jon at ACFSA, 818-843-6608.

Please click the link in the e-mail ballot you received in order to vote, or log in to the member only section of the website and click on the link there..

Proposed Bylaws Amendment I

ARTICLE V - Board of Directors

- B. The Board of Directors shall be composed of officers: President, Vice President, Vice President-Elect, ~~Treasurer~~, Secretary, Immediate Past President, Regional Directors (one for each Region) and two Professional Partner Representatives (one representing food, one representing equipment and supplies). All members of the Board of Directors shall be

elected for a term of two years except when elected Vice President-Elect. The Vice President-Elect will serve one year in that position followed by one year as Vice President, one year as President and one year as Immediate Past President. The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Immediate Past President, Vice President, Vice President-Elect, ~~Treasurer~~, and Secretary. The Executive Director shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors.

There shall be an election for Vice President-Elect, ~~Treasurer~~, Regional Directors I and III and one Professional Partner Representative on even-numbered years and an election for Vice President-Elect, Secretary, Regional Directors II and IV and one Professional Partner Representative on odd-numbered years. A member of the Board of Directors may not serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office. They may, however, run for another office.

Upon completion of one full Presidential term (Vice President-Elect, Vice President, President and Past President), individuals must wait two years before running for Vice President-Elect again. Individuals may, however, serve in another Board of Directors position once their presidential term is complete.

Elections

- B. A ballot, listing candidates for office, shall be mailed sent via facsimile or electronic mail, or shall otherwise be made available for electronic voting, to each voting member in good standing at least three months prior to the Annual Conference. Each member will receive a ballot for the appropriate offices. All ballots must be returned to the ACFSA office or electronically as indicated in the balloting instructions at least two months prior to the Annual Conference. The ACFSA office shall count and provide certification of election results in writing and forward to the President. The election results shall be announced according to the ACFSA election policy.
 - a. Individual foodservice, institutional, retired and eligible Life members shall elect the Vice President-Elect ~~Treasurer, and Secretary~~ Treasurer.

ARTICLE VI - Officers

- A. The elected officers of the ACFSA shall be a President, Vice President, Vice President-Elect, ~~Treasurer~~, Secretary, Immediate Past President, four Regional Directors and two Professional Partner Representatives.

- B. The President, as the principal elected officer of the organization, shall preside at meetings of the ACFSA Board of Directors and Executive Committee. The President shall be a member ex-officio, with the right to vote on all committees except the Nominating Committee. The President shall communicate to the Board and members of the ACFSA information and suggestions intended to increase the usefulness of the organization and to promote its welfare. The President shall perform such other duties as are necessarily incidental to the office or as the Board of Directors may prescribe. The President is not charged with administrative responsibilities in the management of the Association's affairs.

All meetings of the Association shall be conducted in accordance with the Bylaws of the Association, conformance with customs and procedures of the Association and Robert's Rules of Order (current revised edition).

- C. The Vice President will assist the President as needed and prepare for their Presidential term. The President may delegate the Vice President to perform his or her duties in the event of the President's temporary disability or absence.
- D. The Vice President-Elect/Treasurer will assist the President as needed and prepare for their Presidential term, and shall, in conjunction with the President and Executive Director, ~~shall~~ oversee the monies and assets of the ACFSA.
- E. The Secretary shall be responsible for the minutes of the Board of Directors meetings and Annual Business Meeting. The Secretary shall also keep records and make reports as the Board of Directors may designate.
- F. Each Regional Director will be responsible to the Board of Directors for conducting ACFSA activities within his/her region, including appointing state/provincial representatives and overseeing state/provincial chapters.
- G. The administration and management of the ACFSA shall be the responsibility of a contracted management firm who will appoint an individual to be directly responsible to the Board of Directors. He/she will have the title of Executive Director and shall manage and direct all functions and activities of the ACFSA, performing other duties as may be specified by the Board of Directors. Changes in management firms and or International headquarters must be approved by a majority of the Board of Directors.
- H. Professional Partner Representatives serve as representatives of their industry on the Board of Directors with all rights and privileges therein.

I. Qualifications for Officers of the Board of Directors

2. A candidate for the office of Vice President-Elect/Treasurer, Secretary, ~~Treasurer~~, or Regional Director:

- a. Shall be a foodservice professional, institutional or eligible life member in good standing (dues paid for one year).
- b. Shall be currently holding or shall have previously held office at a chapter, state or regional level or shall have served as International Committee Chair.
- c. Must have a completed nomination form submitted by the due date specified.
- d. Must provide credentials as well as written permission from their superior to accept the position.
- e. Must be willing to accept the position if elected.