

By-Laws Updates and Revisions

Overview

4/5/21

The documents were amended over the years and there were a few conflicts and redundancies. We attempted to reorganize and use consistent terminology. And Betty and Liza were all over the punctuation!

Some of the hi-lights are as follows:

- The most significant changes are to what is now Article VII- Finances concerning the former endowment fund. Kelly will provide a separate communication regarding those changes.
- Rather than state that the number of members in the Sustainer Emeritus is unlimited, we have stated that the number is a matter of Membership Committee Discretion. Art. V Sec. 5 provides the specifics.
- Since for the last couple of years we have not had an April Membership Meeting, the election of officers now occurs at the March Membership Meeting.
- We make clear that notice in writing can be made electronically.
- The nominating committee will include a former president.
- We have deleted references to the Appendix as it is not contained in the Greenbook. Certain of the information contained in the Standing Rules and Procedures were incorporated into the bylaws and others were deleted since they were redundant.
- We made clear that a Member that proposed or endorses a candidate that is not admitted that year can re-propose or re-endorse that candidate, or another candidate, the following year.
- We clarified that a Non-Resident Member is a Member that has moved or resides outside of the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- The minimum participation to constitute a quorum has been increased.
- We added a section on indemnification for Board members.