

Constitution Changes:

Article III, Section A, Item 3:

Current: *Item 3. Honorary Voting Membership*

A honorary voting member is one who no longer engages in the paid activities of Professional Agricultural Consultants or Academic members as a primary source of income. Rather than paying annual dues, Retired members may become lifetime, honorary voting members by recommendation of the Executive Council.

Proposed: **Item 3: Retired Voting Membership**

A retired voting member is one who no longer engages in the paid activities of Professional Agricultural Consultants or Academic members as a primary source of income. Retired members may become lifetime voting members by recommendation of the Board of Directors.

Article III, Section B, Item 4:

Current: *Item 4. Retired Non-Voting Membership*

A retired non-voting member is one who no longer engages in the paid activities of Associate members as a primary source of income. Rather than paying annual dues, Retired non-voting members may opt to become Lifetime members by paying a one-time fee equal to the current yearly membership.

Proposed: **STRIKE**

Article III, Section B, Item 6:

Current: *Item 6. The Executive Council shall appoint a minimum of two people to perform an audit of the f Financial reports. These appointed individuals will report their findings to the Executive Council One month before the annual meeting.*

Proposed: **STRIKE**

Article IV, Section A, Item 3:

Addition: **Directors are subject to removal during their term of office by the Board of Directors by majority vote whenever, in its judgement, the best interests of the Association would be served. The Board has the authority to appoint a replacement Director for the remainder of any vacant term.**

Article IV, Section C, Item 2 (Duties of President):

Current: *To appoint committees and chairpersons*

Proposed: **STRIKE**

Article IV, Section D, Item 4 (Duties of the Vice President):

Current: *To serve as president in the next administrative year.*

Proposed: **STRIKE**

Article V, Section C:

Current: *Members who have not paid their annual dues to the Treasurer by the annual meeting shall lose membership rights until such outstanding dues have been paid. If dues remain unpaid for more than one year, it will be at discretion of the Executive Council to determine if re-application for membership is required.*

Proposed: **Members who have not paid their annual dues to the Treasurer by the annual meeting shall lose membership rights until such outstanding dues have been paid. If dues remain unpaid for more than one year, it will be at discretion of the Board of Directors to terminate membership.**

President-Elect change to Vice President in all areas of the Constitution and Bylaws

Bylaws Changes:

Article V, Section 1, Item 9:

Current: *Legislative Committee*

- A) *The Legislative Committee shall consist of one member of the Executive Council and others as appointed by the committee chair or volunteered from within the Association.*
- B) *Duties of this committee shall be to stay reasonably apprised of issues being discussed by Legislative bodies that would be of interest to, or have consequences to, the members of the Association in so far as possible without having an actual lobbyist paid by the Association. This committee may make periodic visits to the State Capital, including Assembly or Senate hearings or Ag Coalition meetings as well as others deemed fit or as invited or informed about by interested parties.*

Proposed: **Legislative Committee**

- A.) This committee shall consist of at least one member from the Board of Directors plus four other members as appointed by the Board. Committee Chair will be elected by the committee.**
- B.) The duties of this committee shall be to evaluate how pending legislation will affect agricultural consultants and recommend a course of action for WAPAC members.**
- C.) Coordinate meetings and correspondence between WAPAC and agency staff, legislative interests and/or trade organizations.**
- D.) Develop annual resolutions that guide WAPAC's legislative and regulatory goals for the coming year. Resolutions will be amended or approved by the voting members.**

Article VI, Section 1 (Quorum):

Current: *Quorum will be defined as 30 voting members present or participating. Quorum is necessary for regular business of the Association to be conducted.*

Proposed: **Quorum will be defined as 20% of current voting members present or participating. Quorum is necessary for regular business of the Association to be conducted.**

Article VII, Section 1E (Voting Procedures):

Current: *The Executive Secretary will record and tally the votes and present the results to the Board of Directors. In order for a vote to be binding, at least 30 members (quorum) must participate.*

Proposed: **The Executive Secretary will record and tally the votes and present the results to the Board of Directors. In order for a vote to be binding, at least 20% of current voting membership must participate.**

Code of Ethics Changes:

All gender specific wording has been changed to include female consultants.