



Chapter Bylaws Have Been Updated

In June all chapter members will be receiving a ballot to approve our updated chapter bylaws. Your vote is very important to achieving full approval. The chapter Board asks you to vote to approve the updated bylaws when you receive the ballot.

Outlined below are an explanation of how the chapter is governed, why the Bylaws are needed and what is being changed.

Chapter Governance

PMI NYC is governed in accordance with its Charter Agreement, Chapter Bylaws and Policies, PMI Bylaws and Policies and New York State law.

What are bylaws and why are they needed?

Bylaws is a legal document that sets out the purpose of the chapter, who our members are, how the board is elected, how meetings are conducted, what officers PMI NYC will have and what their duties are. The Bylaws also address how chapter nominations and elections will be conducted, how committees are formed, and other operational processes.

What has been changed?

PMI Global Operations Center (GOC) requires chapters to review and if necessary update their bylaws every three (3) years.

The following outlines the key changes that have been made:

1. PMI Global requires that local chapters follow their bylaw template. The template changes will be applied to PMI New York City's bylaws subject to member approval.

Reason: These changes served to streamline the document by removing outdated phrasing.

2. The term of the chapter president has been increased to two (2) years.

Reason: This change was done because it was determined that the present one (1) year term is not enough time for the incoming president to implement goals.

3. The board structure of Vice Presidents is being changed.

- a. VP Professional Development is being divided into VP Programs and VP Education
- b. VP Symposium is being eliminated

- c. VP Marketing and Communications is being divided into VP Marketing and VP Communications and Technology.

Reason: The board felt too much responsibility was resting on one individual in each of the respective departments.

Specific responsibilities of these positions will be documented in detailed role descriptions.

- 4. Term limits of the Vice Presidents have been changed to two (2) consecutive terms in the same positions and no more than eight (8) consecutive years on the board in various elected appointed positions.

Reason: The board wants to give more opportunity for our Directors and Program Managers to move to Board positions.

What do chapter members need to do?

The chapter board and PMI GOC have extensively reviewed and approved the changes to the bylaws. Now it is the membership's turn to vote. The chapter board asks you to approve the updated bylaws.