August 22, 2017

Speaker’s Update – Summer Edition

Dear Delegates,

As we begin the new leadership year, it is my pleasure to welcome back Bill Reynolds, MPAS, PA-C, DFAAPA as First Vice Speaker and Todd Pickard, MMSc, PA-C, DFAAPA as Second Vice Speaker. The House Officer team is looking forward to serving this year.

Thank you for a great session in Las Vegas! The House conducted important work critical to the future of the profession, not the least of which was addressing optimal team practice. AAPA is quickly moving to integrate the Guidelines for State Regulation of PAs into the Model State Legislation. There are a variety of tools and resources available on AAPA’s website to help your organization advance the PA profession.

The Summary of Actions from the Las Vegas House of Delegates is complete and the 2017-18 AAPA policy manual is available.

For those who participated in the 2017 House of Delegates, your Category II CME Certificate is available for download.

The Board of Directors met in June and ratified the three bylaws resolutions passed by the 2017 House, as such you will see them in the new Policy Manual.

2017-A-01

Amend Bylaws, Article XIV as follows:

ARTICLE XIV Amendments

Section 2: A proposal for the amendment or repeal of existing Bylaws provisions or adoption of new Bylaws provisions shall be initiated by (a) the Board of Directors, (b) any commission OR WORK GROUP, OR TASK FORCE (c) any Chapter, (d) any
Amend Bylaws, Article IX as follows:

ARTICLE IX  Judicial Affairs.

Section 5: If any member has their PA license, certificate, registration, or temporary permit currently revoked as the result of a final adjudicated disciplinary action for violation of their professional practice statutes or regulations, then their AAPA membership shall be automatically revoked.

SECTION 6: Any individual who has their PA license, certificate, registration, or temporary permit currently revoked as the result of a final adjudicated disciplinary action for violation of their professional practice statutes or regulations shall be ineligible to apply for AAPA membership during the period of that revocation.

2017-A-04

Amend Article XIII as follows:

Article XIII Elections.

Section 10: Vacancies. Academy Officers and Directors, the Student Director and House Officers may resign or be removed as provided in these Bylaws. The method of filling positions vacated by the holder prior to completion of term shall be as follows:

a. OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT. The President-elect shall become the President to serve the unexpired term. The President-elect shall then serve his/her own successive term as President.

b. OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT. In the event of a vacancy in the office of President-elect, the Immediate Past President shall assume the duties, but not the office of the President-elect while continuing to perform the duties of Immediate Past President. The Nominating Work Group will prepare a slate of candidates. The House of Delegates shall elect a new President-elect from the candidates proposed and any candidates that self-declare, who will take office immediately upon election and will serve the remainder of the un-expired term. ELIGIBLE MEMBERS, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 6 OF THIS ARTICLE, SHALL ELECT A NEW PRESIDENT-ELECT FROM THE CANDIDATES PROPOSED
AND ANY CANDIDATES THAT SELF-DECLARE. THE ELECTED CANDIDATE WILL TAKE OFFICE IMMEDIATELY AND WILL SERVE THE REMAINDER OF THE UN-EXPIRED TERM.

c. SPEAKER; FIRST VICE SPEAKER; SECOND VICE-SPEAKER. A vacancy in the positions of the Speaker, First Vice Speaker, or Second Vice Speaker shall be filled in the manner prescribed by the House of Delegates Standing Rules, and in accordance with Article VI, Section 3 of these Bylaws.

d. STUDENT ACADEMY BOARD MEMBER. A vacancy in the Student Director position shall be filled in the manner prescribed by the Student Academy Bylaws.

e. OTHER BOARD VACANCIES. The Nominating Work Group will prepare a slate of candidates. Eligible members, as described in Section 6 of this Article, shall elect a new officer and/or director from the candidates proposed and any candidates that self-declare. The elected candidate will take office immediately and will serve the remainder of the un-expired term.

**Standing Rules**

The 2016-17 Standing Rules committee led by Mark Katz, PA-C took on the herculean task of reorganizing and updating the rules. This now better reflects how we do business. The Standing Rules now have three sections: (a) general Standing Rules, (b) in-person meeting Standing Rules, and (c) virtual meeting Standing Rules.

**HOD Appointments**

The House Officers would like to thank the following volunteers for stepping up to serve during the 2017-2018 leadership year:

- Sergeant-at-Arms – Mark Zender, PA-C
- Chief Teller – Jessica Estanislau, PA-C
- Chief Computer Operator – Aaron Weber, PA-C

Reference Committee Chairs:
- Leslie Milteer, PA-C
- Peggy Walsh, PA-C
- Rachel Weinzimmer, PA-C

**Standing Rules Committee**
- Jessica Estanislau, PA-C, Chair
- Mia McDonald, SAAAPA Chief Delegate
- Mark McKinnon, PA-C
Thank you for your commitment to serve as part of the House leadership team! This brings me to the next topic…

**Call for HOD Volunteers**
Are you interested in getting more involved in the HOD? If so, please complete the [volunteer form](#) to submit your interest for any or all of the following positions:

- Reference Committee Members
- Reference Committee Scribe
- Credentialing Committee Member
- HOD Elections Committee Member
- Teller
- Mentor

**Officers & Delegates: HOD Compliance**
Please remember to submit your updated Officer and Delegate list if you haven’t already done so. To check your organization’s compliance status and confirm your delegation’s ability to participate in any HOD business and represent your constituents, use the [compliance webpage](#).

This page allows you to confirm your core officers are current AAPA fellows. Per AAPA policy, core officers are president, president-elect, vice president, secretary, treasurer, or secretary/treasurer. If no officers are listed, an [officer update form](#) has not been submitted for this leadership year. Please forward the form link to the appropriate contact in your CO for completion. You will need your AAPA website login information to view the compliance webpage. You can view your organization’s submitted delegates [here](#).

**Important Dates**
AAPA’s House of Delegates Meeting will be Saturday, May 19th – Monday, May 21st, in New Orleans, LA. The 2018 Conference will run from Saturday, May 19th – Wednesday, May 23rd.

The earlier you submit your resolutions, the more time available to work out any potential issues to ensure your resolution is in order and placed on the HOD meeting agenda. Resolutions can:
- (a) amend current AAPA policy,
- (b) fill a gap in policy on a particular topic, or
- (c) introduce a new policy on an issue, which is relevant and important to the profession.

Please refer to the updated [guidelines for submitting resolutions](#). The resolution deadlines are:
Bylaws resolutions – February 19
Non-bylaws resolutions – March 20

Five-Year Policy Review
The House Officers have identified the policies last acted upon in 2013 and have made assignments for the five-year review. These policies will be on our agenda at the 2018 HOD.

Quick Links
- 2017 Summary of Actions
- 2017 HOD Category II CME Certificate
- Delegate List
- Delegate Notification Form
- 2017-18 (New Orleans) Apportionment
- Delegate Change Form
- HOD Home Page or www.aapa.org/hod
- 2016-20 Strategic Plan
- PAs Connect
- The Huddle

Thank you for all you do for the Academy. I look forward to continuing to serve as your Speaker!

Best,

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Speaker of the House and Vice President of AAPA