

Proposed changes to NJYPAA committee bylaws

November 17th, 2024

Motion: Expand the Steering Committee membership to include both the Events chairperson and the Bid Book chairperson, by modifying the NJYPAA committee bylaws. The explicit and precise changes to the bylaws are attached to this motion.

Supporting Details: The Steering Committee membership is explained in Article V of the "2024_NJYPAA_BYLAWS.pdf" document. This document is the existing and standing bylaws document for NJYPAA. The existing Article V is included here in its entirety for our examination:

Article V. Steering Committee

Section 5.01 The Steering Committee is responsible for providing general direction and guidance of the Committee, making time sensitive decisions, and allocating emergency funds that may be needed when it is not feasible for the entire Committee to meet.

Section 5.02 The Steering Committee is comprised of select elected officers, with the Chair as the head of the Steering Committee. Those elected officers are; Chair, Co-Chair, Hotel Chair, Outreach Chair, Program Chair, Registration Chair, Secretary, Treasurer.

Section 5.03 Special authority is given to the collective consciousness of the Steering Committee to address any necessary and immediate business which may arise between Committee meetings thus requiring an informed immediate action.

(i) All decisions made by the Steering Committee require a unanimous decision by the Steering Committee members meeting a minimum quorum of six voting members.

(ii) This authority and the decisions resulting from a Steering Committee, may be at any time overturned by a 2/3s majority voted by the Committee. In order to insure the limitation of these powers, all decisions made by the Steering Committee will be reported to the Committee at the next Committee meeting as part of the Chair's report.

(iii) To further limit these powers, the Steering Committee, in an emergency situation, may vote to expense no more than \$500 which must be reported at the next Committee meeting.

Changes: Our proposed changes are as follows:

1. In section 5.02, before the words "Those elected officers are", add a new line, the letter "(a)" and the text "When the NJYPAA committee is acting as a host or service committee, ", and change the capital "T" of "Those" to a lowercase "t".
2. In section 5.02, after the words "Registration Chair, Secretary, Treasurer", add a new line, the letter "(b)", and the text "When the NJYPAA committee is acting as a bid committee, those elected officers are; Chair, Co-Chair, Hotel Chair, Outreach Chair, Program Chair, Registration Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Bid-Package Chair and Events Chair."

Updated article: The final page of this document contains the entirety of the altered Article V. The changes are highlighted for the purposes of this motion, but will not be highlighted in the final document. After this motion is voted on and accepted, the new "Article V. Steering Committee" will look like the article on the next page:

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