

Recommendation 1: Proposed by HOD

“That the AARC Board of Directors and the House of Delegates approve the following amendment to the AARC Bylaws”:

Article III, Section 7(a).

- a. Specialty Sections representing particular areas of interest within respiratory care shall be made available to Active, Associate, and Special Members of the Association. The purpose, organization and responsibilities of Specialty Sections shall be defined in the policies and procedures of the Association. A seat on the Board of Directors will be granted to those Specialty Sections **with a minimum of 1000 active members, limited to six seats total as defined in the policies and procedures of the Association.**

Current Version

- a. Specialty Sections representing particular areas of interest within respiratory care shall be made available to Active, Associate, and Special Members of the Association. The purpose, organization and responsibilities of Specialty Sections shall be defined in the policies and procedures of the Association. A seat on the Board of Directors will be granted to those Specialty Sections consisting of at least 1000 active members.

Recommendation 2: Proposed by HOD

“That the AARC Board of Directors and the House of Delegates approve the following amendment to the AARC Bylaws”:

Article IV, Section 1(b).

- b. Officers of the Association shall not concurrently be **officers, board members, or staff** of the national respiratory care credentialing, accreditation bodies, **or chartered affiliates.**

Current Version

- b. Officers of the Association shall not concurrently be members of national respiratory care credentialing or accreditation bodies.

Recommendation 3: Proposed by HOD

“That the AARC Board of Directors and the House of Delegates approve the following amendment to the AARC Bylaws”:

Article V, Section 1(a and b).

- a. The executive government of the Association shall be vested in a board of no more than eighteen (18) Active Members consisting of at least five (5) Officers, and twelve (12) Directors-at-Large, and/or Section Chairs serving as a Director from the top six Specialty Sections with a minimum of 1000 active members of the Association. So as long as the number of Section Chairs serving as Directors is at least six (6), the number of at-Large Directors shall be equal to the number of Section Chairs serving as Directors. If the number of Sections Chairs serving as Directors is less than six (6), the number of at-Large Directors shall be increased to assure a minimum of twelve (12) Directors on the Board of Directors. The Immediate Past Speaker of the House of Delegates, the Chair of the President’s Council and the Chair of the Board of Medical Advisors shall serve as non-voting members. Directors shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of Article XII, Section 2 (b).
- b. Members of the Board of Directors shall not concurrently be officers, board members, or staff of the national respiratory care credentialing, accreditation bodies, or chartered affiliates.

Current Version

- a. The executive government of the Association shall be vested in a board of at least seventeen (17) Active Members consisting of five (5) Officers, at least six (6) Directors-at-Large, and a Section Chair serving as a Director from each Specialty Section of at least 1000 active members of the Association. So long as the number of Section Chairs serving as Directors is at least six (6), the number of at-Large Directors shall be equal to the number of Section Chairs serving as Directors. If the number of Section Chairs serving as Directors is less than six (6), the number of at-Large Directors shall be increased to assure a minimum of seventeen (17) members of the Board of Directors. The Immediate Past Speaker of the House of Delegates, the Chair of the Presidents Council, and the Chair of the Board of Medical Advisors shall serve as non-voting members. Directors shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of Article XII, Section 2 (b).
- b. Members of the Board of Directors shall not concurrently be members of national respiratory care credentialing or national respiratory care accreditation bodies.

Recommendation 4: Proposed by AARC Board of Directors

“That the AARC Board of Directors and the House of Delegates approve the following amendment to the AARC Bylaws”:

ARTICLE IX- PRESIDENTS COUNCIL

- a. The Presidents Council shall be composed of Past Presidents of the Association **and individuals** who have been elected to membership in the Council.
- b. The Presidents Council shall serve as an advisory body to the Board of Directors and perform other duties assigned by the Board of Directors, **including, but not limited to selection of the Jimmy A. Young Medalists, life membership, and honorary membership.**
- c. The Presidents Council shall elect a Chair from its membership to serve a one-year term beginning immediately following the Annual Business Meeting.
- d. The Chair of the Presidents Council shall serve as a non-voting member of the Board of Directors and preside at meetings of the Presidents Council.
- e. The Presidents Council shall meet annually following the Annual Business meeting of the Association.
- f. The Presidents Council may appoint committees as necessary to complete its duties.
- g. In the event of a vacancy in the Chair, the vacancy shall be filled according to the procedure defined by the Association. AARC President will appoint a Council member to serve the duration of the term.**

Current Version

- a. The Presidents Council shall be composed of Past Presidents of the Association who have been elected to membership by the Council.
- b. The Presidents Council shall serve as an advisory body to the Board of Directors and perform other duties assigned by the Board of Directors.
- c. The Presidents Council shall elect a Chair from its membership to serve a one-year term beginning immediately following the Annual Business Meeting.
- d. The Chair of the Presidents Council shall serve as a non-voting member of the Board of Directors and preside at meetings of the Presidents Council.
- e. The Presidents Council shall meet annually following the Annual Business meeting of the Association.
- f. The Presidents Council may appoint committees as necessary to complete its duties.
- g. In the event of a vacancy in the Chair, the vacancy shall be filled according to the procedure defined by the Association.

Recommendation 5: Proposed by House of Delegates

“That the AARC Board of Directors and the House of Delegates approve the following amendment to the AARC Bylaws”:

Article VII. Section 3(b).

- b. The House Speaker may appoint members to the House Committees. In the event of vacancies occurring in any House Committee, the Speaker may appoint members to fill such vacancies.

Current Version

- b. The House Speaker may appoint members to the House Committees, ~~subject to the approval of the House of Delegates.~~ In the event of vacancies occurring in any House Committee, the Speaker may appoint members to fill such vacancies, ~~subject to the approval of the House of Delegates.~~