Proposed Revision of AAA-Southwest Region Bylaws – Oct 2021

Background for proposed Bylaws revision

The officers have had faculty who reside and work outside of the 5 state area volunteer to serve in various leadership positions in AAA-Southwest. The officers discussed the issue and we think that a person who has been actively involved in the regions should be allowed to be a full voting member. Please note that this does not open membership to everyone. The person has to have been an active participant for at least 5 years and admission would be subject to a vote by the officers of the region.

PROPOSED:

III. MEMBERSHIP

1. Persons holding membership in the National Association are automatically members of the Southwest Region if they either reside in or are employed in the states of Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico. Any person holding membership in the National Association who does not reside in or is not employed in such states may request to be a member of the Southwest Region by submitting a written request to the President that details the requesting member's participation in the Southwest Region for the previous five calendar years, which would include, but not be limited to, conference participation and service activities (e.g., reviewer, session moderator). Membership approval would require a 2/3 vote from current officers, which include President, Past President, President-Elect/Program Chair, Program Chair-Elect, Secretary-Treasurer, Webmaster, Coordinating Committee Members, AAA Council Representative, and Historian. Members are eligible to vote, hold offices and participate in all activities of the Southwest Region and of the National Association.

ORIGINAL:

III. MEMBERSHIP

1. Persons holding membership in the National Association are automatically members of the Southwest Region if they either reside in or are employed in the states that are part of the Southwest Region as defined by the National Association. These states are Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico. Members are eligible to vote, hold offices and participate in all activities of the Southwest Region and of the National Association.