2025 Bylaws Amendments Proposals – As of April 30, 2025			
Current AAA Bylaws (As Revised-2022)	Proposed Changes (non- clean up changes in bold- faced font)	Source/Rationale for Changes	Proposed Bylaws
I. Name of Organization. The name of this organization shall be the American Accounting Association. The form of organization shall be that of a non-profit association, incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois.		Cleanup to define term "Association" which is used throughout.	I. Name of Organization. The name of this organization shall be the American Accounting Association (Association). The form of organization shall be that of a non-profit association, incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois.
II. The Purposes and Objectives of the Association Shall Be: To further the discipline and profession of accountancy through thought leadership in education, research, and service to the accounting profession and society.			
III. Membership. Admission to the Association shall be subject to such conditions as the Board of Directors may determine. There shall be three classes of membership: (1) Regular Members, (2) Life Members, and (3) Student Members. The Board of Directors has the authority to create membership sub-categories based on the organization's strategy.	Add "classes and sub-" to allow flexibility should Council decide to add different types of membership tiers (departmental/organizational) or to breakout different categories (e.g., doctoral vs. masters vs. undergrad)	Cleanup	III. Membership. Admission to the Association shall be subject to such conditions as the Board of Directors may determine. There shall be three classes of membership: (1) Regular Members, (2) Life Members, and (3) Student Members. The Board of Directors has the authority to create additional membership classes and subclasses based on the Association's strategy,
Regular Members and Life Members are eligible to vote, hold offices, and participate in all activities of the Association. Student Members may participate in activities of the Association, but they may not vote in elections conducted by the Association, serve as voting committee members, or hold an elective or appointed office.	masters vs. anadigida)		with such rights and obligations as determined by the Board of Directors.
Life Members. Honorary life memberships may be granted by the Board of Directors to			

individuals who have been long-time members of the Association. Student Members. Students, during the period of matriculation in a post-secondary program, shall be eligible for Student Membership in the Association. IV. Dues. Dues shall be determined by the Board of Directors with the approval of the Council. Dues categories shall be structured to reflect the organization's strategy and to increase participation of classes of individuals facing varying economic conditions.	Cleanup	IV. Dues. Dues shall be determined by the Board of Directors with the approval of the Council. Dues categories shall be structured to reflect the Association's strategy and to increase participation of classes of individuals facing varying economic conditions.
V. The Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of the following voting members: the President; the President-Elect; the Past President; the Vice President-Finance; the Vice President of Research and Publication; the Vice President of Education; the Vice President of Education; the Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion; and four additional directors. There are two ex officio nonvoting members: the Council Chair and the Chief Executive Officer. The President-Elect automatically become President and Vice President-Finance-Elect automatically become President and Vice President-Finance respectively, at the end of their one-year elect terms. All officers shall serve for three years, except in the case of appointments to fill vacancies. Interim vacancies shall be filled by action of the Board of Directors until the next annual election or the end of the original term. Seven voting members shall constitute a quorum. Issues shall be decided by a simple majority vote of those present.	Cleanup of wording.	V. The Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of the following voting members: the President, the President-Elect, the Past President, the Vice President-Finance, the Vice President-Finance-Elect, the Vice President of Research and Publications, the Vice President of Education, the Vice President - Engagement, Access, and Community (EAC), and four additional directors. Two ex-officio nonvoting members are the Council Chair and the Chief Executive Officer. The President-Elect and Vice President-Finance-Elect automatically become President and Vice President-Finance respectively, at the end of their one-year elect terms. All officers shall serve for three years, except in the case of appointments to fill vacancies. Interim vacancies shall be filled by the Board of Directors until the next annual election or the end of the original term.

VI. The Management Team of the Board of Directors. The Management Team of the Board of Directors shall consist of the following voting members: the Past President, President, President-Elect, Vice President of Finance, and the Chief Executive Officer. The Vice President-Finance Elect and the Council Chair serve as ex-officio non-voting members. The President		7. Appointing the CEO and conducting the annual evaluation of the CEO. VI. The Management Team of the Board of Directors. The Management Team of the Board of Directors shall consist of the following voting members: the President, the President-Elect, the Past President, the Vice President of Finance, and the Chief Executive Officer. The Vice President-Finance-Elect and
	The current bylaws specify duties of Council but do not specify specific duties of the Board. These changes clarify and expand duties in the bylaws to reflect actual duties that are performed by the Board of Directors.	 Board Duties Drafting and approving the annual calls for nominations for all Board member positions, including positions of additional directors (see Section VII). Filling Board vacancies. (see Section VII). Approving strategic-related actions that come before the Board. Approving the publication of non-journal accounting materials (see Section XII). Authorizing the formation of Segments on the advice of the Council (see Section XIII). Dissolving Segments on the advice of the Council (see Section XIII).
	Changed quorum definition to be a majority rather than a specified number because the number of total members on the Board varies due to the rotation of the terms for the Vice President-Finance-Elect.	A majority of the Board of Directors' voting members constitute a quorum. Issues shall be decided by a simple majority vote of those present. Members of the Board of Directors shall begin their term at the conclusion of the Association's Annual Convention.

VII. Duties of the Members of the Board of Directors. President. The President of the Association shall act as chair of the Board of Directors and lead efforts to set the Association's strategy. The President shall preside at the annual business meeting of the Association. Except for committee members appointed by the Council	Duties for appointing members to committees and task forces are moved to the Duties of the Management Team, which reflects existing practices.	described in Section VIII). 4. Removing members of committees and task forces in accordance with relevant Association policies and procedures. 5. Acting on behalf of the Board when so requested by the Board. VII. Duties of the Members of the Board of Directors. President. The President of the Association shall act as chair of the Board of Directors and lead efforts to set the Association's strategy. The President shall preside at the annual business meeting of the Association. The President shall serve in that office for one
shall chair the Management Team's meetings. Duties of the Management Team include responsibility for coordinating and evaluating progress on the Association's strategic plan, forming agendas for Board and Council meetings, advising the President-Elect on committee and task force appointments, and drafting the call for nominations for all Board members of the Association for subsequent approval by the Board of Directors.	Changed quorum definition to be a majority rather than a specified number because the number of total members on the Board varies due to the rotation of the terms for the Vice President-Finance-Elect. To clarify and expand duties in the bylaws to reflect actual duties that are performed by the Management Team.	the Council Chair serve as ex-officio non-voting members. The President shall chair the Management Team's meetings, which are held periodically. A majority of the voting members of the Management Team shall constitute a quorum. Issues shall be decided by a simple majority vote of those present. Duties of the Management Team 1. Coordinating and evaluating progress on the Association's strategic plan. 2. Preparing agendas for Board and Council meetings. 3. Appointing members to committees and task forces (other than appointments made by Council as

President shall have the authority to appoint members to committees and task forces, and, at his/her discretion, to remove members of committees and task forces. The President shall serve in that office for one year.

President-Elect. The President-Elect shall assist the President and Past President in their efforts to set the Association's strategy. The President-Elect, with the advice of the Management Team, shall appoint members to serve on committees and task forces during his/her term of office, except for committee members appointed by the Council (see Section IX) and those previously appointed to staggered terms that have not yet expired. The President-Elect shall serve in that office for one year.

Past President. The Past President serves on the AAA Nominations Committee and assists the President and President-Elect in their efforts to set the Association's strategy. The Past President shall serve in that office for one year.

Vice President-Finance. The Vice President-Finance chairs the standing Finance Committee (see Section IX). The Vice President-Finance is responsible for supervising the financial management of the Association, under the general direction of the Board of Directors. The Vice President-Finance shall assist the President-Elect in preparing the budget outlining the financial resources and requirements for the next fiscal year. The Vice President-Finance shall periodically report to the Board, the Council, and membership on the financial affairs of the Association. The Vice President-

Cleanup to be consistent with Section VI.

The President shall serve as a member of the Management Team.

President-Elect. The President-Elect shall assist the President and Past President in their efforts to set the Association's strategy. The President-Elect shall serve in that office for one year.

Cleanup to be consistent with Section VI.

The President-Elect shall serve as a member of the Management Team and as an ex-officio non-voting member of the Governance Committee.

Past President. The Past President assists the President and President-Elect in their efforts to set the Association's strategy. The Past President shall serve in that office for one year.

Cleanup to be consistent with Section VI.

The Past-President shall serve as a member of the Management Team and shall serve on the AAA Nominations Committee.

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Vice President-Finance. The Vice President-Finance shall provide oversight of the Association's financial operations, under the general direction of the Board of Directors. The Vice President-Finance shall periodically report to the Board, the Council, and membership on the financial affairs of the Association. The Vice President-Finance shall serve for two years after serving one year as Vice President-Finance-Elect.

Cleanup to be consistent with Section VI.

The Vice President-Finance shall serve as a member of the Management Team, a member

Finance shall serve for two years after serving one year as Vice President-Finance-Elect.

During the first year of the Vice President-Finance's two-year term, the AAA Nominations Committee shall nominate a Vice President-Finance-Elect to serve during the final year of the Vice President-Finance's two-year term. The Vice President-Finance-Elect shall assume the vice presidency (and chair the Finance Committee) upon the expiration of the Vice President-Finance's term. The Vice President-Finance-Elect shall serve as a member of the Finance Committee and shall perform other duties as assigned by the Vice President-Finance.

Vice President-Education. The Vice President-Education shall be responsible for developing and administering programs in accounting education. The Vice President-Education shall chair the standing Education Committee and interact with national and international accounting education bodies. The Vice President-Education shall serve in that office for three years.

Vice President-Research and

Publications. The Vice President-Research and Publications shall be responsible for developing and administering programs that advance accounting research. The Vice President-Research and Publications shall be a member of the standing Research and Publications Committee and interact with the Research Directors of other national and international accounting organizations. The Vice President-

Throughout the description of duties for specific offices is changed from "is responsible for" to "provides oversight of" for each position to reflect the fact that Association staff have primary responsibility for design and implementation of key operations and the Board of Director provides oversight.

Cleanup to reflect duties specified elsewhere.

Vice President-Finance-Elect. The Vice-President-Finance-Elect shall perform duties as assigned by the Vice-President-Finance.

of the Audit Committee, and shall chair the

standing Finance Committee (see Section IX).

The Vice President-Finance-Elect shall assume the Vice-President-Finance office upon the expiration of the Vice President-Finance's term.

During the first year of the Vice President-Finance's two-year term, the AAA Nominations Committee shall nominate a Vice President-Finance-Elect to serve during the final year of the Vice President-Finance's two-year term.

Cleanup to reflect duties specified elsewhere.

The Vice President-Finance-Elect shall serve as a member of the standing Finance Committee (see Section IX), a member of the Audit Committee, and as an ex-officio nonvoting member of the Management Team.

Cleanup

Vice President-Education. The Vice President-Education shall provide oversight for education programs in accounting education. The Vice President-Education shall serve in that office for three years.

Cleanup to reflect duties specified elsewhere.

The Vice President-Education shall chair the standing Education Committee (see Section IX) and, in that role, interact with national and international accounting education bodies.

Cleanup

Vice President-Research and Publications. The Vice President-Research and Publications shall provide oversight for developing and administering programs that advance

Research and Publications shall serve in that office for three years.

Vice President-Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. The Vice President-Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion shall be responsible for working with the AAA Board, staff and DEI Committee to develop, assess and oversee programs that advance diversity, equity, and inclusion. The Vice President-Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion shall chair the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee and interact with DEI leaders or designated representatives of other national and international accounting organizations. The Vice President-Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion shall serve in that office for three years.

Additional Directors. Four additional directors shall perform whatever duties are assigned by the Board of Directors as reflected in their respective call for nominations. Each additional director shall serve in that office for three years. Each year one of the additional Director position will be nominated by Council (see Section VIII). The remaining Director positions will be nominated by the AAA Nominations Committee as outlined in Section IX.

Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Association is an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Board of Directors. The CEO shall be responsible for the operation of the Administrative office of the Association and shall report to the Board of Directors on all operating matters. Minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors, of the Council, and of the annual business meeting shall be the responsibility of the CEO, and shall be made publicly available to AAA members. The Board of Directors is responsible for

accounting research. The Vice President-Research and Publications shall serve in that office for three years.

The Vice President-Research and Publications shall be a member of the standing Research and Publications Committee (see Section IX), and in that role, interact with the Research Directors of other national and international accounting organizations.

Cleanup –
Revisions based
on modified
wording for VPEAC and EAC
Committee as
approved by
Board.

Vice President-Engagement, Access, and Community (EAC). The Vice President-Engagement, Access, and Community (EAC) shall be responsible for working with the Association Board, staff and the Engagement, Access, and Community (EAC) Committee to develop, assess and oversee programs that prioritizes engaging members to ensure they have access to resources and opportunities which fosters a thriving professional community. The Vice President-Engagement, Access, and Community (EAC) shall serve in that office for three years.

The Vice President-Engagement, Access, and Community (EAC) shall chair the Engagement, Access, and Community (EAC) Committee (see Section IX) and, in that role, interact with leaders or designated representatives of other national and international accounting organizations to increase engagement.

Additional Directors. Four additional directors shall perform whatever duties are assigned by the Board of Directors as reflected in their respective calls for

appointing and conducting the annual		minations. Each additional director shall
evaluation of the CEO.		rve in that office for three years.
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Filling of Vacancies. In the event that a member		ch year, the Council will nominate one of
of the Board of Directors, other than the	the	e additional Director positions (see Section
President or President-Elect, is unable to serve	VII	I). The remaining Director positions will be
their full term, the duties shall be assigned to	no	minated by the AAA Nominations
another person selected by the Board of	Co	ommittee as outlined in Section IX.
Directors. When the President cannot serve,		
then the duties shall be assumed by the most	Ch	nief Executive Officer (CEO). The Chief
recent Past President who is willing to serve.	Exe	ecutive Officer (CEO) of the Association is
When the President-Elect is not able to serve,	an	ex-officio, nonvoting member of the Board
the AAA Nominations Committee will nominate	of	Directors. The CEO shall be responsible for
another candidate who will be affirmed by a vote		e operations of the Association and shall
of the Council.		port to the Board of Directors on all
		erating matters. Minutes of the meetings of
		e Board of Directors, of the Council, and of
		e annual business meeting shall be the
		sponsibility of the CEO and shall be made
		iblicly available to Association members.
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	Fill	lling of Vacancies. In the event a member
		the Board of Directors, other than the
		esident or President-Elect, is unable to
		rve their full term, the duties shall be
		signed to another person selected by the
		pard of Directors. When the President
		nnot serve, then the duties shall be
		sumed by the most recent Past President
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		ect is not able to serve, the AAA
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VIII. Council. Council shall assist the Board of		II. Council. Council shall consist of the
Directors in governance of the Association. The		llowing: (1) Board of Directors members
functions of the Council shall be in part advisory		ring their terms of office; (2)
and in part decision-making, with day-to-day		epresentatives of Segments (i.e., Regions
decisions made by the President, the Chief	specify	d Sections) of the Association; and (3) Two

Executive Officer, and the Board of Directors.

Members of the Council shall begin their term at the conclusion of the annual meeting of the Association.

Council Chair. The Council Chair will serve for one year. The Council Chair, assisted by Council Chair-Elect and the Past Council Chair, will preside over Council meetings. Council Policies and Procedures will identify the processes for electing the Council Chair. Members of the Board of Directors may not serve as Council Chair.

Council Composition and Length of Service

Council shall consist of:

- 1. Board of Directors members during their terms of office
- 2. Representatives of Segments (i.e., Regions and Sections) of the Association
- 3. Two At-Large Representatives of the international members of the Association

Each Association Segment will have one representative on Council. Council members will be elected by members of their Segment to each serve a three-year term, with approximately one-third of the Council elected each year. The Board of Directors will appoint the At-Large Representatives of the international members to Council.

Council Duties

- 1. Approve changes in dues.
- Approve major decisions when referred to the Council by the Board of Directors.

composition separately from duties.

At-Large Representatives of the international members of the Association. One non-Board of Directors member of the Council will serve as Council Chair.

Each Association Segment will have one representative on the Council. Council members will be elected by members of their Segment to each serve a three-year term, with approximately one-third of the Council elected each year. The Board of Directors will appoint the At-Large Representatives of the international members to Council.

A majority of the Council constitutes a quorum. Issues shall be decided by a simple majority vote of those present.

Members of the Council shall begin their term at the conclusion of the Association's Annual Convention.

Council Chair Duties. The Council Chair, assisted by the Council Chair-Elect and the Past Council Chair, will preside over Council meetings. Council Policies and Procedures will identify the processes for electing the Council Chair. The Council Chair will serve as ex-officio nonvoting member of the Board of Directors and of the Management Team.

The Council Chair will serve for one year. Members of the Board of Directors may not serve as Council Chair.

Cleanup to rearrange information to specify

Council Duties

 Assist the Board of Directors in governance of the Association.

- Elect five members of the AAA
 Nominations Committee (see Section IX). Current Council members are not eligible to serve on the AAA Nominations Committee.
- 4. Review the annual budget of the organization and make recommendations thereon to the Vice-President of Finance.
- 5. Review for approval all AAA advocacy positions.
- 6. Populate all Association-wide awards committees.
- 7. Each year select at least two nominees for the three-year term Director seat up for election on the Board of Directors.
- 8. Regularly monitor AAA member views on the AAA strategic plan and report to the Board of Directors.
- Monitor periodic Segment reports (see Section XIII) and recommend to the Board of Directors creation of or dissolution of Segments due to membership demand or lack thereof, fiscal feasibility, and/or compliance with AAA Bylaws, policies, or procedures.
- Other activities to advance the AAA strategy as directed by the Board of Directors.

Council Standing Committees

- Council Committee on Awards
 Committees shall populate Association-wide awards committees.
- 2. Advocacy Review Committee shall review positions forwarded by Association-level committees for suitability to represent an Association-level position. Position papers or letters

composition separately from duties.

Cleanup

- 2. Approve changes in dues.
- 3. Approve major decisions referred to the Council by the Board of Directors.
- 4. Elect five members of the AAA
 Nominations Committee (see Section
 IX). Current Council members are not
 eligible to serve on the AAA
 Nominations Committee.
- Review the Association's annual budget and make recommendations thereon to the Vice-President of Finance.
- 6. Approve all Association advocacy positions.
- 7. Populate all Association-wide awards committees.
- 8. Each year select at least two nominees for the three-year term Director seat up for election on the Board of Directors.
- Periodically monitor Association member views on the Association's strategic plan and report to the Board of Directors.
- 10. Recommend to the Board of Directors the formation of or dissolution of Segments due to membership demand or lack thereof, fiscal feasibility, and/or compliance with Association Bylaws, policies, or procedures.
- Other activities to advance the Association strategy as directed by the Board of Directors.

Council Standing Committees

Cleanup wording

 Advocacy Review Committee shall, as needed, review positions for suitability to represent an Association-

approved by this committee will be level position. Position papers or designated as representing official letters approved by this committee positions of the AAA. will be designated as representing official positions of the Association. 3. The Council Ballot Committee shall consist of all of Council except the 2. Council Ballot Committee shall Board of Directors. The Committee shall consist of all Council members except select at least two member names each the Board of Directors. The Committee year, who meet the criteria of the call for shall select at least two member director nomination approved by the names each year, who meet the Board of Directors. criteria of the call for director nomination approved by the Board of Quorum and Voting. Sixty percent of the Directors. 3. Council Committee on Awards members of the Council shall constitute a quorum. Issues shall be decided by a simple **Committees** shall populate Association-wide awards committees. majority vote of those present. IX. Association Standing Committees. The IX. Association Standing Committees. The following standing committees shall be Cleanup to reflect following standing committees shall report to established and report to the Board of Directors. existing the Board of Directors. Each standing Each member of a standing committee shall processes. committee (except the Audit and the Research & Publications Committees) shall consist of a normally serve a three-year term, with one-third of the committee members appointed each minimum of seven members. Each standing committee member shall normally serve a year. three-year term, with one-third of the committee members appointed each year. **Finance Committee.** The Finance Committee shall consist of the Vice President-Finance, the Audit Committee. The function of the Audit Vice President Finance-Elect, and other Cleanup to reflect members with staggered terms for a total of nine Committee is oversight of the financial members. The Committee shall monitor the management's reporting processes of the Association and is financial condition and goals of the Association. responsibility for responsible for making recommendations to the design and the Board about the hiring or firing of external and assist in achieving the Strategic Plan. implementation of auditors. processes, while **Education Committee.** The Education the Audit Committee shall study and report upon, and It is the Association's management's Committee make policy recommendations, on all matters responsibility to maintain appropriate provides of concern to the Association in the field of systems for accounting and internal control, accounting education as directed by the oversight. including internal control over financial reporting, and Auditor's responsibility to plan President and the Board of Directors. The

and carry out the audit in accordance with

Committee shall be advisory to the Center for

Advancing Accounting Education. The committee shall consist of nine members.

Research and Publications Committee. The Research and Publications Committee shall study and report upon all matters of concern to the Association related to research and publications, as directed by the President and the Board of Directors. The committee shall consist of seven members, the Vice President-Research and Publications, and a chair, all serving three-year terms. Committee members shall have staggered three-year terms, with two members being appointed each year.

Governance Committee. The Governance Committee shall review proposed amendments to the Association's governing documents to assure clarity, consistency, and legal compliance, and advise the Board of Directors on changes in the governing documents. The committee shall consist of nine members. The President-Elect is an ex-officio non-voting member of the governance committee.

Nominations Committee. The Nominations
Committee shall nominate candidates for
elective offices of the Association. It shall
consist of the two most recent Past Presidents
willing and able to serve and five members
elected by the Council. The five elected
members cannot be current members of the
Council. The Nominations Committee shall be
chaired by the most senior, in service, of the
Past Presidents serving. Members of the
Nominations Committee are not eligible for
nomination. Any member may nominate

auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. The outside Auditor is ultimately responsible to the Board of Directors, as representatives of Association's stakeholders.

Cleanup to reflect duties specified elsewhere.

The Committee shall consist of five members, one of whom will serve as Chair as determined by the Management Team. The members include the Vice President-Finance, the Vice President-Finance-Elect, or in years when there is no elect, the most recent past Vice President-Finance, the Director Focusing on Academic/Practitioner Interaction, and two members with expertise in auditing or internal controls.

Cleanup wording

Education Committee. The Committee shall be advisory to the Center for Advancing Accounting Education. The Education Committee shall study, report upon, and make policy recommendations on all matters of concern to the Association in the field of accounting education as directed by the Board of Directors.

The Vice President of Education shall chair the Education Committee.

Cleanup – Revisions based on modified wording for VP-EAC and EAC Committee as approved by Board. Engagement, Access, and Community
Committee. The Engagement, Access, and
Community (EAC) Committee will support the
American Accounting Association's efforts to
become an inclusive academy and will
continue to advance the vision of being
inclusive Thought Leaders in Accounting.

The Vice President-Engagement, Access, and Community (EAC) serves as the Chair. The

persons to be considered for the Nominations Committee.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee.

The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)
Committee will support the American
Accounting Association's efforts to become an
inclusive academy and will continue to advance
the vision of being inclusive Thought Leaders in
Accounting. The committee shall consist of nine
members. The Vice President-Diversity, Equity,
and Inclusion serves as chair. The CEO is a
voting member of the DEI Committee and the
CIO is ex-officio, non-voting member of the DEI
Committee.

Audit Committee. The function of the Audit Committee is oversight. It is the AAA management's responsibility to maintain appropriate systems for accounting and internal control including internal control over financial reporting, and the Auditor's responsibility to plan and carry out the audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. The Auditor is ultimately responsible to the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee, as representatives of AAA's stakeholders. The committee shall consist of five members, the Vice President-Finance, the Vice President-Finance-Elect, or in years when there is no elect, the most recent past Vice President-Finance, Director Focusing on Academic/Practitioner Interaction who will serve as Chair, and two members with expertise in auditing or internal controls who are appointed prior to the Annual Meeting by the AAA Management Team.

Cleanup to reflect duties specified above.

Committee, and the CIO is an ex-officio, non-voting member of the EAC Committee.

Finance Committee. The Committee shall

monitor the financial condition and goals of

the Association and assist in achieving the

CEO is a voting member of the EAC

Strategic Plan.

staggered terms.

The Finance Committee shall consist of the Vice President-Finance who shall serve as Chair of the Committee, the Vice President Finance-Elect, and other members with

Cleanup to specify the exact governing document. Governance Committee. The Governance Committee shall review proposed amendments to the Association's Bylaws to assure clarity, consistency, and legal compliance, and advise the Board of Directors on changes in the governing documents.

Cleanup of wording.

The President-Elect is an ex-officio non-voting member of the Governance Committee.

Nominations Committee. The Nominations Committee shall nominate candidates for elective offices of the Association.

It shall consist of the two most recent Past Presidents willing and able to serve and five members elected by the Council (see Section VIII). The five elected members cannot be current members of the Council. The Nominations Committee shall be chaired by the most senior, in service, of the Past Presidents serving. Members of the Nominations Committee are not eligible for nomination. Association members may

Cleanup

	Cleanup to specify responsibilities.	nominate themselves or other Association members for the Nominations Committee. Research and Publications Committee. The Research and Publications Committee shall study and report upon all matters of concern to the Association related to research and publications, as directed by the Board of Directors.
	Cleanup to reflect current practices.	The Vice President-Research and Publications, a chair, and chair-elect and other members appointed by the Management Team serve on the Committee.
X. Nomination and Elections Procedures. A list of the nominations made by the Nominations Committee and the Council shall be published at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of the election. The slate shall include at least two candidates for each position. Additional nominations may be made by a petition signed by not less than one hundred (100) members of the Association submitted to the CEO at least fifteen (15) days prior to the beginning of the election. Persons so nominated must previously have agreed to serve if elected. The membership of the Association shall be notified prior to the election of the nominations made by petition. Election shall take place by mail, facsimile, or electronic vote of the members. The vote shall be open for at least thirty (30) days.	Cleanup	X. Nomination and Elections Procedures. A list of the nominations made by the Nominations Committee and the Council shall be published at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of the election. The slate shall include at least two candidates for each position. Additional nominations may be made by a petition signed by not less than one hundred (100) members of the Association submitted to the CEO at least fifteen (15) days prior to the beginning of the election. Persons so nominated must previously have agreed to serve if elected. The Association's membership shall be notified before the election of the nominations made by petition. Election shall take place by mail, facsimile, or electronic vote of the members. The vote shall be open for at least thirty (30) days.
XI. Annual Meeting. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be determined by the Board of Directors.	Cleanup to distinguish Annual Business Meeting from AAA Annual Meeting.	XI. Annual Business Meeting. The Association shall convene an annual business meeting at such a time and place as may be determined by the Board of Directors.

XII. Publications. The Association shall publish periodical journals that shall be devoted to matters consistent with the purposes and objectives of the Association. The Association may also publish other accounting materials as deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors. The Association shall not pay royalties on its publications.		Cleanup	XII. Publications. The Association shall publish periodical journals devoted to matters consistent with the purposes and objectives of the Association. The Association may also publish other accounting materials as deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors. The Association shall not pay royalties on its publications.
XIII. Segments of the Association. The Board of Directors may authorize the formation of Segments on the advice of Council. Segments are Regions or Sections. Regions are defined geographically by the Board of Directors. Sections represent interest groups. All Segments will be identified as part of the AAA (e.g., AAA Midwest Region) in all publications and communications. Each Segment will be governed by the Bylaws of the AAA and the common Bylaws for Segments. Every 5 years, each Segment will prepare a self-evaluation of its purpose and sustainability to support the strategic objectives of the overall organization. Organization. Each Segment shall have a Chair or President, a Chair-elect or President-elect, a Secretary /Treasurer, a Council Representative, and a Nominations Committee and such other officers and committees as the Segment shall determine. Council Representatives. A Segment shall be represented on the Council of the Association by a Representative. Council members serve an initial term of three years and are eligible for one additional three-year term. The Council Representative is a member of the governing body of the Segment. If the Council Representative is unable to attend a Council meeting, the Segment's officers may send an	To provide guidance when Segment Bylaws do not address an issue.	Cleanup by moving content related to Dissolving Segments to this section addressing Segments.	XIII. Segments of the Association. The Board of Directors may authorize the formation of Segments on the advice of Council. The Board of Directors has responsibility to dissolve Segments on the advice of Council due to lack of membership, fiscal feasibility, and/or violation of Association Bylaws, policies, or procedures. Segments are Regions or Sections. Regions are defined geographically by the Board of Directors. Sections represent interest groups. All Segments will be identified as part of the Association (e.g., AAA Audit Section) in all publications and communications. Each Segment will be governed by the Bylaws of the Association and the common Bylaws for Segments. If a Segment's Bylaws are silent on the following matters, the Segment should comply with the following guidance. Organization. Each Segment shall have a Chair or President, a Chair-elect or President-elect, a Secretary /Treasurer, a Council Representative, and a Nominations Committee and such other officers and committees as the Segment shall determine.

alternate who shall have all of the voting rights of an elected representative (see below). The representative is responsible for reporting in a timely manner all relevant Council meeting information to the Segment's governing body.

Nomination and Election Procedures. The President or Chair and the Council Representative shall be elected by mail, facsimile, or electronic vote or at the annual business meeting of the Segment under Robert's Rules of Order. If, in addition to the nominee(s) proposed by the Nominations Committee, a person is nominated by petition signed by not less than 25 members of the Segment, the election shall be by mail, facsimile or electronic ballot. Persons nominated by petition must previously have agreed to serve if elected. Only members shall be eligible to vote.

Nominations Committee. The Nominations Committee shall consist of one or more immediate Past Vice-Presidents or Chairs (the most senior of whom shall chair the committee) and at least four (4) other persons to be elected at the annual business meeting of the Segment or, if no such election is made at such meeting, by majority vote of the Segment officers. Candidates for election to the Nominations Committee shall be proposed and seconded from the floor. Members of the Nominations Committee shall not be eligible for nomination to any Segment office while serving on the committee. The Nominations Committee elected at each annual business meeting or by majority vote of the Segment officers shall prepare a list of nominees for the election to be held at the next annual meeting or by mail,

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XIV. Disposition of Assets. The Association shall be operated exclusively for the purposes for which it is organized. No part of the net earnings of the Association shall inure to the benefit of any person except as compensation for services, or as an allowance in furtherance of the purposes of the Association. In the event of dissolution of the Association, its net assets shall be distributed to an agency organized and operated exclusively for education purposes and of which no part of the net earnings inures to the benefit of any person except as compensation for services or as an allowance in furtherance of its purposes. XV. Amendment. Amendments to the Bylaws may be proposed by any individual member or group of members, by the Board of Directors, or by the Council. Proposals approved by both the Board of Directors and the Council or submitted		

for a membership vote. Written notice of Bylaws		
amendments to be presented for membership		
vote shall be given to the members at least		
ninety (90) days prior to the vote. To be		
amended, a minimum of 10% of all eligible		
Association members as of the end of the prior		
fiscal year must vote and of the votes cast, at		
least two-thirds must be affirmative. The vote		
shall be open for at least thirty (30) days.		