

The Texas Association for Clinical Laboratory Science Board of Directors approved the following amendments to the Bylaws and SOP for presentation to the membership at the next annual meeting in April 2003. These changes have been sent to the ASCLS Bylaws Committee for approval. The intent of this amendment is to make the name of the business meeting less intimidating so that more members will feel free to attend.

1) Amend the Bylaws by substituting the term "Annual Business Meeting" for the terms "House of Delegates" and "House" wherever they occur.

This applies to:

Article 3, Sections IV and V

Article 4, Section VII a

Article 6, Section VII

Article 7 Title of the article, Sections I, II, III, and IV

Article 9 Sections I and III

Article 11

Article 14, section I

Article 14, Section III

Article 14, Section IV

2) Amend the Standard Operating Procedures by substituting the term "Annual Business Meeting" for the terms "House of Delegates" and "House" wherever they occur.

This applies to:

Part 4, Sections 2A, 2D, and 6A

Part 6, Section 6B

Part 7, Title of the article, Sections IB, IC, IC1, IC3, 4, 5A2, and 5A4

Part 8, Sections 1A2, 2A2, 2A2a, and 2A2b

Part 14, Section 1

(Note that the Bylaws Committee is also authorized to make necessary editorial changes for the purpose of good sentence structure.)

The Bylaws Committee is also authorized to make non-substantial changes that substitute the term "Professional" for "Active" when referring to classes of membership. (In previous amendments, not all terms were found and changed to conform to ASCLS membership nomenclature.)

This refers to the following parts of the Bylaws:

Article 8, Section I1

Article 14, Section I

and to the following parts of the Standard Operating Procedures:

Part 3, Section 5B

Part 4, Sections 2A, 2B, 4

Part 6, Sections 3A, 5A

Part 7 Section 5A3

Part 8, Section 1A, 1A2, 3B3b2

Part 14, Section1

Upon approval by the ASCLS Bylaws Committee and the TACLS House of Delegates, updated copies of both the Bylaws and SOP of the Texas Association for Clinical Laboratory Science will be submitted to ASCLS.

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