

PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENT

The following proposed amendments to the SDDS Bylaws were approved by the Board of Trustees at the March 4, 2019 meeting of the Board. They will be brought to the membership for a vote at the March 14, 2019 General Membership Meeting.

Background Statement

The C&B Committee was asked to suggest Bylaws language for a new standing Committee that would handle the Loan Forgiveness Award program. At the same time, the Committee should be looking at the bylaws in a way that would advance efficiencies for the Society. SDDS issues smaller grants to local dental tech, dental hygiene and dental assistant programs students. SDDS, on a very infrequent basis, will also select a recipient for awards, including the SDDS Distinguished Service Award. The Committee felt that following new standing committee description (see below, in yellow highlight) would accomplish the directive it received while accomplishing efficiencies by consolidating the responsibility and procedure for all award programs with one "Awards Committee". The Board of Trustees concurred and is recommending the membership approve the following proposed amendments to the SDDS Bylaws

Resolved: That the SDDS Board of Trustees approve the following recommended additions and deletions to Article XI, Section B and Article XII, new Section 4 Awards Committee (with renumbering of subsequent sections) (*additions underscored, deletions stricken through*):

Article XI. APPOINTMENT OF STANDING AND ELECTED COMMITTEES

Section 1: Standing Committees

B. On or before April 1st, the President-Elect shall appoint the following committees: Administrative; Audit; **Awards**; Constitution and Bylaws; Continuing Education; Dental Health Planning and Hospital Dentistry; Dental Benefit Programs; Dental Practice; District Claims; District Relief; Ethics; Finance and Budget; Friday Morning Clinics; House; Insurance; Governmental Affairs; Membership and Communications; New Dentist; Peer Review and Quality Assurance; Program; Publications; Reception and Entertainment; and Senior Dentists

Article XII. COMPOSITION AND DUTIES OF STANDING AND ELECTED COMMITTEES

Section 1: General Regulations for Committees ...

Section 2: Administrative Committee

Section 3. Audit Committee

Section 4. AWARDS COMMITTEE

A. Composition: The Awards Committee shall consist of five (5) members, one of whom shall be appointed annually for a five (5) year term. The Chair will be appointed by the President. For the initial creation of this Committee the president shall appoint five (5) members; one of which shall be designated by the president to serve for five (5) years; one of which shall serve for four (4) years; one of which shall serve for three (3) years; one of which shall serve for two (2) years and one of which shall serve for one (1) year

B. Meetings: The Committee shall meet at least once per year.

C. Duties: The duties of the Committee shall be:

1. To formulate and recommend policies to the Board of Trustees on all matters regarding the SDDS Loan Forgiveness Program, service awards and all academic awards for ancillary dental programs in local high schools and colleges in Brooklyn and Staten Island.
2. To select a third-party program administrator for the SDDS Loan Forgiveness Program and to coordinate all activities related to the Loan Forgiveness Program with said administrator.
3. To review the finances of the Loan Forgiveness Program and make recommendations to the Board of Trustees for program and award allocations annually.
4. To recommend to the Board of Trustees, when appropriate, the names of individuals for the SDDS Distinguished Service Award, The NYSDA Distinguished Service Award, the NYSDA Jarvie Burkhart Award, and other recognition awards.
5. To submit an annual written report to the Board of Trustees

Section 4: Benevolent Fund Committee

Section 5. Benevolent Fund Committee... (and so on)