

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

Background Statement

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee was asked among other things, to examine potential conflicts within the bylaws relating to term limits. Upon examination, the Committee submitted the following resolution of amendment to the Board of Trustees for approval at its March meeting. The Board approved the proposal and are published here for consideration by the membership. These amendments will be brought to the membership for approval at the March 2013 Scientific Meeting. Old language appears as ~~striketrough~~, new language appears in red.

Resolved: that Article XIII. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS, TRUSTEES, REPRESENTATIVES AND DELEGATES, *Section 1*, Nominations, Subsection B Term of Office: of the SDDS Constitution & Bylaws be amended with the deletion (~~striketrough~~) and insertion (in red) of the following:

Article XIII. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS, TRUSTEES, REPRESENTATIVES AND DELEGATES

B. Term of Office: Unless otherwise provided, the term of office of all elected Representatives to The New York State Dental Association shall begin at the conclusion of the Annual Session of The New York State Dental Association after their election, and shall terminate at the conclusion of the Annual Session of The New York State Dental Association in the year in which he shall have fulfilled the number of years of the term of office.

With the exception of the SDDS Officers, ~~Editor, Immediate Past President, NYSDA Trustee and Branch Society Representative~~, no member shall serve as ~~the elected~~ Trustee to the Second District Dental Society for more than five consecutive ~~two-year~~ terms. A member may be nominated again as an ~~elected~~ Trustee after ~~not serving as a voting member of the Board for one year~~ ~~waiting one year~~, after having served the five consecutive ~~two-year~~ terms.

Consecutive terms is defined as including the terms immediately preceding and following any Officer, Editor, Immediate Past President, NYSDA Trustee or Branch Society Representative positions. Term for elected Trustee to the Second District Dental Society elected at each annual election of the Society is for a full two years.

Resolved: That Article XII be amended by inserting a new Section 20 (in red):

Article XII. COMPOSITION AND DUTIES OF STANDING AND ELECTED COMMITTEES

Section 20 Minutes Approval Committee

A. Composition: At each General Membership Meeting the presiding officer shall appoint three members to this committee

B. Duties: It shall be the duty of this committee to review and approve the minutes of the general membership meeting as provided by the secretary or secretary pro tem.

And be it further

Resolved: That Article XII, Sections 21-27 be re-numbered one number higher sequentially.