

At the 2021 Annual Business Meeting held virtually on November 13, voting members approved the recommendation to increase the AAPM&R's Awards Committee composition by increasing the members at large from two to "up to five" for the purpose of expanding, diversifying, and strengthening this selection committee. At the Business Meeting, it was suggested from the floor that the Board consider establishing a minimum number of members-at-large for the Awards Committee. The Board heard and considered this member feedback.

The Board of Governors plans to adjust the Awards Committee composition from "up to five members-at-large" to "not less than two and up to five members-at-large". In accordance with the Bylaws, the Board of Governors is opening up a comment period before they confirm this minor revision/clarification at their Spring March 31-April 3, 2022 Meeting.

Copied below, please find first the proposed adjusted language in context, followed by the relevant clause related to the Board's power to amend the Bylaws. If you have questions, you are invited and encouraged to contact the Board of Governors at boardofgovernors@aapmr.org.

ARTICLE IX – COMMITTEES AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Section E. Standing Advisory Committees. The Academy shall have the following standing advisory committees:

2. Awards Committee. The Awards Committee shall consist of the Academy Vice President, who shall be the Chair, a past President at least four (4) years removed, and **not less than two (2) and** up to five (5) Members-at-Large appointed by the current President. If, during any annual period, no past President at least four (4) years removed is available or willing to serve on the Awards Committee, the current President may appoint an individual to serve during said annual period. The Awards Committee shall screen all candidates for Academy awards and Honorary membership and make recommendations to the Board in accordance with the Academy's policies and procedures. Members of the Awards Committee shall be provided with the rules, qualifications, and procedures governing the awards they will consider.

ARTICLE XVIII - AMENDMENTS

Section A. Amendments by the Board. The power to alter, amend, or repeal these Bylaws or adopt new bylaws shall be vested in the Board unless otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation or these Bylaws. Such action may be taken at a regular or special meeting for which written notice of the purpose shall be given. Prior to adopting any amendments pursuant to this Section A, the Board shall provide the voting members of the Academy with notice of the proposed amendments at least thirty (30) days prior to the Board meeting at which the amendment will be considered for adoption by the Board.