

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

CCB Report 01-A-24

Subject: AMA Bylaws—Nomination of Officers and Council Members

Presented by: Mark Bair, MD, Chair

Referred to: Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws

1 At the 2023 Interim meeting, the House of Delegates adopted Recommendation 21 of Speakers
2 Report 3, Report of the Election Task Force 2 (Policy G-610.089). Policy G-610.089 directed that
3 Bylaw 6.8.1 be updated to clarify that nominations are made by the chair of the Board of Trustees
4 or by a member of the House of Delegates at the opening session of the meeting at which elections
5 take place. The Council found similar language in Bylaw 3.3. To maintain internal bylaw
6 consistency and to accurately describe the nomination process for Officers and Council members
7 the Council submits amended language for 3.3 and 6.8.1 for House action.

8 9 RECOMMENDATIONS

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11 The Council on Constitution and Bylaws recommends that the following amendments to our AMA
12 Bylaws be adopted, that Policy G-610.989 be rescinded, and that the remainder of this report be
13 filed. Adoption requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the House of
14 Delegates present and voting.

15 16 **3 Officers**

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20 **3.3 Nominations.** Nominations for President-Elect, Speaker and Vice Speaker, shall be
21 made ~~from the floor~~ by a member of the House of Delegates at the opening session of
22 the meeting at which elections take place. Nominations for all other officers, except for
23 Secretary, the medical student trustee, and the public trustee, shall be made ~~from the~~
24 ~~floor~~ by a member of the House of Delegates at the opening session of the meeting at
25 which elections take place ~~and may be announced by the Board of Trustees.~~

26 27 **6 Councils**

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29 30 31 **6.8 Election – Council on Constitution and Bylaws, Council on Medical Education, 32 Council on Medical Service, and Council on Science and Public Health**

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34 **6.8.1 Nomination and Election.** Members of these Councils, except the medical
35 student member, shall be elected by the House of Delegates. The Chair
36 ~~Nominations shall be made by the chair~~ of the Board of Trustees will present
37 announced candidates, who shall be entered into nomination by the Speaker
38 at the Opening session of the meeting at which elections take place.

1 Nominations ~~and~~ may also be made from the floor by a member of the
2 House of Delegates at the opening session of the meeting at which elections
3 take place.

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5 (Modify Bylaws)

Fiscal Note: No Significant Fiscal Impact

RELEVANT AMA POLICY

G-610.089, Directives on Nominations from Speakers Report 3. The language in Bylaw 6.8.1, “Nomination and Election” be updated to clarify that nominations are made by the chair of the Board of Trustees or by a member of the House of Delegates at the opening session of the meeting at which elections take place.