

B. Membership dues are payable on the last day of the month in which the applicant is selected for membership and annually thereafter.

C. Annual dues shall include subscriptions to the official scientific journal of the Association and to such other records, reports, proceedings, and publications as authorized by the Council except where otherwise provided.

D. The Executive Committee may authorize suspension of dues or subscriptions on the part of any member.

**SECTION 2. Exemption from Dues.**

A. Honorary Member: Honorary Members shall be exempt from the payment of dues.

B. Life Member: Following payment of the appropriate fee, the Life Member shall thereafter be exempted from the payment of annual dues.

**SECTION 3. Active Member.**

An active member (a member in good standing) is one who is qualified for membership and is current in the payment of dues. Active members are entitled to all the rights and privileges of membership including voting and holding office.

**SECTION 4. Delinquency.**

A member is delinquent if Association dues are not paid within 60 days of the due date. If dues are not paid within 30 days after notification of delinquency, the member shall be removed from the active membership role of the Association for nonpayment of dues.

**SECTION 5. Reinstatement.**

Any member dropped for nonpayment of dues may be reinstated to member-in-good-standing status on payment of dues for the current year in advance.

**ARTICLE XIV. FUNDING AND FINANCES**

**SECTION 1. Funding.**

Funds may be raised (a) by dues; (b) by assessments on active members on recommendation of the Council and after approval by the membership; (c) from the publications of the Association at a rate established by the Council; and (d) in any other manner approved by the Council. Funds may be appropriated by the Council to defray the expenses of the Association.

**SECTION 2. Finances.**

A. Fiscal Year: The fiscal year shall begin on January 1 and end on December 31 each year.

B. Insurance: The Executive Director shall procure Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance in an amount determined by the Council, the cost to be paid by the Association. The Executive Director, Treasurer, and other persons approved by Council may sign checks.

C. Budget: The Council, at its fall meeting, shall adopt an income and expense budget covering all activities for the next fiscal year. No officer may make or authorize any unbudgeted expenditure without approval of the Executive Committee or the Executive Director. The Executive Director shall not make or authorize any unbudgeted expenditure exceeding the amount stipulated by the Policy and Procedures Manual without approval of the Executive Committee.

D. Audit: An audit shall be made by a certified public accountant at a frequency and time described in the Policy and Procedures Manual. The audit shall be submitted to the Executive Committee at its meeting prior to the annual meeting of the Association. The report of the audit shall be made available to the membership at the annual business meeting of the Association.

**ARTICLE XV. AMENDMENTS.**

The Bylaws of the Association may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by two-thirds vote of active members present at such meeting. Association Bylaws amendment proposals may be submitted by any member of Council or a petition of at least 2% of the active membership of the Association. Proposed amendments must be communicated to the Association Headquarters by the end of December and approved by two-thirds vote of the Council members for consideration at the annual business meeting. The membership must be notified of the proposed amendments no less than 60 days prior to the annual meeting. The Policy and Procedures Manual will describe the process for review, modification, and presentation of amendment proposals for the membership vote on each amendment at the annual meeting.

**ARTICLE XVI. DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION.**

In the event that the Association shall be dissolved, its assets at the time of dissolution shall be distributed to one or more organizations exempt from Federal Income Tax in accordance with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or subsequent provisions to be used for purposes identical or similar to those of the Association.

**PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE AsMA BYLAWS**

In accordance with Article XII of the Bylaws of the Aerospace Medical Association, the following proposed changes to the bylaws are printed herein. They will be voted upon at the next Annual Business Meeting to be held Tuesday, May 12, 2015. The meeting is open and all members are encouraged to attend (no lunch purchase is necessary to participate in the meeting).

The omissions are listed as strikethroughs. The additions are italicized and underlined.

**ARTICLE II. VISION, MISSION AND GOALS**

A. Vision: The international leader in *aerospace medicine and human performance, aviation, space, and environmental medicine.*

**Rationale:** This change would make the vision statement more relevant and broader in implications and is more inclusive of research conducted by and report by non-physicians. The change is also more consistent with the mission statement and is reflective of the change in the Journal title.

**ARTICLE VII. COUNCIL OF THE AEROSPACE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.**

**SECTION 2. Membership of the Council.**

Membership of the Council shall consist of the President, President-Elect, the immediate Past President, the four Vice Presidents, the Secretary, the Treasurer, 12 elective members, one member selected by each of the Constituent Organizations, one member selected by the Fellows group, one member selected by the Associate Fellows Group, the Editor-in-Chief of the Association's official journal (ex officio member without vote), the *Aerospace Medical Association Delegate to the American Medical Association, Regent for Aerospace Medicine of the American College of Preventive Medicine, the Aerospace Medical Association Delegate to the American Osteopathic Association,* the Parliamentarian (ex officio member without vote; appointed by the President and approved by Council), and a student or resident representative selected by the Aerospace Medicine Student Resident Organization.

**Rationale:** The American College of Preventive Medicine Board of Regents adopted changes to ACPM's governance structures that would convert categor-

ical and regional regent positions to at-large positions, thereby eliminating the Regent positions from each specialty. This Bylaws change removes the ACPM Aerospace Medicine Regent Council position since it is going away and replaces that Council position with the AsMA delegate to the American Medical Association.

The American Osteopathic College of Preventive Medicine has agreed that one of their two delegates to the American Osteopathic Association will be an AsMA representative. The addition of this delegate to AsMA Council would provide for a balanced representation of MDs and DOs on Council.

**SECTION 5. Executive Committee.**

E. The Executive Committee shall have the power to appoint the Editor of the official journal of the association, or any educational scientific journal or other publication, with the approval of the Council, and may recommend the members of the ~~Advisory~~ Editorial Board to the Council after consulting with the Editor.

**Rationale:** The inside front cover of the Journal lists Editorial Board members and does not refer to it as the Advisory Editorial Board. The change would make the wording in the Bylaws consistent with the wording in the Journal.

**ARTICLE VIII. ORGANIZATIONS.**

**Section 1. Constituent and Affiliated Organizations.**

C. Constituent Organizations:

(1) Constituent Organizations must have a minimum membership equivalent to 2% of the active membership of the Aerospace Medical Association as determined and communicated in accordance with the Policy and Procedures Manual. With its application for constituency, each Constituent Organization shall furnish the Executive Director a current roster of its members in good standing, giving name, residence, and connection with aerospace medicine or its allied sciences. All members of the Constituent Organization shall be members of the Aerospace Medical Association. *A Constituent Organization may have sustaining partners, however, that are not active members of the Aerospace Medical Association. These sustaining partners are not members and do not count toward the 2% criterion for Constituency status.* By January 1 of each calendar year, each Constituent shall furnish the Executive Director a current roster of its members.

**Rationale:** This change would clarify that non-member sustaining partners that are affiliated with a Constituent Organization would not count toward the 2% rule for Constituency status. These sustaining partners cannot vote on or direct any of the organization's business.

**ARTICLE XI. COMMITTEES.**

**SECTION 3. Standing Committee Functions.**

P. Resolutions Committee: Resolutions may be proposed to the Resolutions Committee by individual members, by standing and special committees, by the Executive Committee, and by the Council. Proposed resolutions that have been reviewed and coordinated by the Resolutions Committee shall be submitted to Council and, if approved by Council, will be presented to the Association membership. Association membership will be notified by electronic means that a Proposed resolutions will be published on the Association's website for a period of at least 60 days to offer members the opportunity for review and comment. Members may submit comments to the Resolutions Committee within the 60-day comment period in any form, via electronic means, by letter, or in person during any meeting of the Association. Comments received from

members may be incorporated into the proposed resolution by the Resolutions Committee, after which the revised resolution shall again be posted on the Association's website and resubmitted to Council for a final review and approval vote by Council members. After final review and approval by Council, the draft resolution will again be posted on the Association website for a vote of the membership. Council Association membership shall have final approval of resolutions. Processing and Voting on resolutions by the Council Association members can be performed remotely by electronic means or in person during Council Annual Business Meetings of the Association. A quorum of 100 Association members is required for a vote. A two-thirds majority vote of the full Council those voting is required for final approval of a proposed resolution.

**Rationale:** Resolutions represent an agreed upon position by the Association. Previous resolutions were approved only during the Annual Business Meetings (quorum of 100 required) by a majority vote. Electronic forums and online voting now make review of proposed resolutions and voting by membership a reality, and proposed resolutions can be approved by the Association membership outside of the Annual Business Meeting.



Point Loma Light House,  
San Diego  
Photo by Pam Day

**Thank You!**  
**Corporate and Sustaining Members**  
**of the Aerospace Medical Association**  
**Now in Our 86th Year!**



*The financial resources of individual members alone cannot sustain the Association's pursuit of its broad international goals and objectives. Our 86-year history is documented by innumerable medical contributions toward flying health and safety that have become daily expectations by the world's entire flying population—commercial, military, and private aviation. However, support from private and industrial sources is essential. The following organizations, who share the Association's objectives or have benefitted from its past or current activities, have affirmed their support of the Association through Corporate Membership.*

Aerospace Medical, PLC  
Aerospace Medicine Residency  
Program, UTMB  
Air Canada  
Air Line Pilots Association  
Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association  
Anthem Epoch, LLC  
Armed Forces Benefit Association  
Aviation Medicine Advisory Service  
Baxter Healthcare Corporation  
Centers for Disease Control and  
Prevention/National Institute for  
Occupational Safety and Health  
David Clark Company, Inc.  
Eagle Applied Sciences, LLC  
Education Enterprises, Inc.  
Envionics, Inc.  
Environmental Tectonics Corporation  
Essex Industries

Gentex Corporation  
GO<sub>2</sub>Altitude  
Harvey W. Watt & Company  
InoMedic Health Applications, Inc. (IHA)  
Int'l Federation of Airline Pilots Assn.  
Mayo Clinic  
Neurokinetics Health Care Services, Inc.  
Neurostat Analytical Solutions, LLC  
Oregon Aero, Inc.  
OxyHeal Health Group  
Shoreland, Inc.  
South African Airways  
Spectrum Aeromed  
STS Systems Integration, LLC (SSI)  
United Airlines  
Universities Space Research Association  
(USRA)  
Wyle