

ACTION ITEM

Committee: Rules

Council:

Motion for Board consideration*:

To approve the proposed amendment to By-Laws Article III, Section 1.

Justification: The proposed change is made to allow non-AAPM members to be voting members of Committees.

Previously, non-AAPM members have served on Committees, Subcommittees and Working Groups as non-voting guests or liaisons. At the 2016 RSNA meeting, the Board approved a Science Council request to allow non-members voting privileges of some Science Council committees. Additionally, The Executive Committee has requested the establishment of a new Corporate Advisory Committee whose membership consists primarily of corporate affiliate representatives.

*Note that if the Governance Restructuring proposal passes, this proposal will have no effect, since the revised structure allows non-AAPM members to be members of committees.

- **By-Laws change required?** Yes
 - **Rules change required?** No
 - **Effective date of Action:** Upon adoption by the Membership
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- **If this action requires change(s) to the By-Laws or the Rules, have you brought it to the attention of the Rules Committee? Yes**
 - **If so, indicate action(s) taken by Rules Committee:** Approved

- **Will this action require the use of Headquarters staff? No**
 - **If so, has this action been discussed with the Executive Director?**

➤ **Does this action require funding by the society? No**

- **If so, has this funding been discussed with the Treasurer / Finance Committee?**
- **Estimate of the amount of funds required:**

By-Laws Article III. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Appointments and Tenure (amended September 9, 2010)

The President, with the concurrence of the Board, shall appoint members to the Standing Committees except as provided for in these By-Laws and in accordance with the Rules. The Councils, as defined in Article III, Section 2, with the concurrence of the Board, shall appoint members to their subordinate Standing Committees.

Except as otherwise specified in the Rules, Membership of Standing Committees shall be limited to Members and Emeritus Members of the Corporation who are in good standing. Their tenure shall be as specified in the Rules.

The President, with the concurrence of the Board, may establish other committees as the need arises or as required by these By-Laws. Membership and tenure of these committees shall be provided for in the Rules. Standing committees may appoint sub-committees as specified in the Rules. The chair of the sub-committee must be a member or ex-officio member of the standing committee.

COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM THE MEMBERSHIP
IN FAVOR OF PROPOSAL 2

- Jean Moran spoke in favor. The reason this is being requested is because of activities such as the Integrating Health Enterprise in Radiation Oncology (IHE-RO), which was recently moved from ASTRO to be housed in the AAPM. For us to have adequate engagement of our physician colleagues, this would be extremely important. There is also a Corporate Relations Committee that is about to be formed and we think that this change would really facilitate again that full interaction by our partners within the AAPM space.
- Bruce Thomadsen spoke in favor of the motion. He has been involved in many task groups in the AAPM and many of which have had significant contributions from members who are not members of the organization and he thinks they should be on equal par with the rest of the members who are on those task groups.
- Bruce Curran spoke in favor of the motion. He commented that although committees are defined in our By-Laws, subcommittees, working groups and task groups are not. This was meant to be generic to all classes of committees of that type, which go committees, subcommittees, working groups, task groups and units.

COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM THE MEMBERSHIP
AGAINST PROPOSAL 2

- Allan Cohen spoke against the proposal as its written for two reasons. The first one is that it's one of the benefits of paying dues and as a full paying member who is often been put in a liaison role because he works for a manufacturer, he thinks it's a little upsetting to just open that up. The second reason broader, he can see where there may be cases when you want that kind of rights, like IHE-RO, but he also sees nothing where this restricts it to those kinds of committees and he sees nothing that states what the ratio is going to be.