

1 MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY

2 HOUSE OF DELEGATES

3 CB Report 2-14

4 INTRODUCED BY: Council on Bylaws

5 SUBJECT: IMG Section
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7 The Council on Bylaws considered a request by the International Medical Section to amend Bylaw 7.30
8 and 7.50 to provide that the IMG Section trustee be selected for a one year term by the IMG section
9 according to its bylaws. The Committee discussed the request and decided to recommend the one year
10 term, but not to recommend the removal of the trustee position from the general election process
11 prescribed by Bylaw Article 8.

12 The Bylaws Council therefore proposes the following amendments to the MedChi Bylaws:

13 Proposed MedChi Bylaws changes highlighted; additions are in LARGE AND SMALL CAPS, deletions are
14 ~~struck out~~.

15 7.30 Composition. The Board of Trustees shall be composed of:

16 a. MedChi Officers:

17 i. President;

18 ii. President-elect;

19 iii. Immediate Past President;

20 iv. Chief Executive Officer (without vote);

21 b. Speaker of the House of Delegates;

22 c. Vice speaker of the House of Delegates;

23 d. One trustee from each of the following components whose present active membership is above 300:

24 i. Anne Arundel County;

25 ii. Baltimore City;

26 iii. Baltimore County;

27 iv. Montgomery County;

28 v. Prince George's County;

29 e. One trustee from each of the following groups:

- 1 i. Eastern Group (Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Harford, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico
2 and Worcester counties);
- 3 ii. Southern Group (Calvert, Charles, Howard and St. Mary's counties);
- 4 iii. Western Group (Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett and Washington counties);
- 5 f. One member selected from the medical specialty section;
- 6 g. One member selected from the IMG section EACH YEAR;
- 7 h. Two trustees selected at large, one of whom is selected from the Western, Eastern and Southern Groups
8 together;
- 9 i. American Medical Association delegation representative selected by the delegation;
- 10 j. Medical Student Section representative;
- 11 k. Resident and Fellow Section representative;
- 12 l. Any component society achieving active membership of 300 physicians or more shall be entitled to
13 representation by a single trustee as in subsection d. above; provided that when a component society
14 becomes entitled to a representative of its own on the Board of Trustees, this component society shall no
15 longer be eligible to be included in the Western, Eastern or Southern group. Any component society
16 whose active membership drops below 300 physicians for two consecutive years shall lose their
17 entitlement to representation by a single trustee. Any component society losing its single trustee shall be
18 included in the group which it is closest geographically. If the component is equally close to more than
19 one group, it shall be included in the group having the smallest active membership; and
- 20 m. Council chairs (ex-officio, non-voting).
- 21 7.301 Chair. The president of MedChi shall serve as the chair of the Board of Trustees.
- 22 7.302 Vice Chair. The president-elect shall serve as vice chair of the Board of Trustees.
- 23 7.303 Secretary and Treasurer. The Board of Trustees shall elect annually a secretary and treasurer from
24 its members.
- 25 7.40 Election. Members of the Board of Trustees shall be elected as set forth in Article 8.00.
- 26 7.50 Term of Service. Except for president, president-elect, immediate past president, speaker, vice
27 speaker, IMG SECTION REPRESENTATIVE, and CEO, trustees shall serve for terms of three years beginning
28 immediately following their election, with terms so arranged that the terms of one-third of the members
29 shall expire each year.
- 30 7.60 Tenure. Members, other than President; President-elect; Immediate Past President; Chief Executive
31 Officer (without vote); Speaker; Vice Speaker; and American Medical Association Delegation
32 representative (selected by the delegation) may serve no more than two consecutive full terms; a member
33 may serve additional terms after a period of one full year off the Board. Any member, other than the

1 CEO, may be recalled and removed by a two-thirds vote of the House of Delegates. Consideration of such
2 action must be requested by the President of MedChi, the Speaker of the House or by written request of a
3 component society or 50 delegates and included with the Call for the meeting.

4 7.70 Meetings

5 7.701 Regular Meetings. The Board of Trustees shall have regular bi-monthly meetings, held at such time
6 and place as the Board shall determine. Notice of each regular meeting shall be given at least ten days
7 before the meeting.

8 7.702 Special Meetings. Special meetings may be called at any time by the chair or at the request of a
9 majority of the members of the Board. Notice shall be given at least two days before each such meeting.

10 7.703 Notice. Notice of any meeting is effective if delivered in person, by telephone, mail, telegram,
11 facsimile, or any other means of communication approved by the Board.

12 7.704 Quorum. A majority of the voting members of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum for
13 all purposes, except for special meetings of the Board which shall require a two-thirds representation for a
14 quorum.

15 7.80 Vacancies. Vacancies in trustee positions shall be filled as follows:

16 The CEO of MedChi shall notify the component(s) of the vacancy within fourteen days of its occurrence.

17 7.801 A vacancy in the position of a trustee elected at large shall be filled by election of the House of
18 Delegates at its next scheduled meeting.

19 7.802 A vacancy in the position of a trustee representing multiple components shall be filled by a majority
20 vote of the components represented by that position. Each component's vote will be weighted in
21 proportion to its membership census as of the previous January 1. Each component shall decide, in
22 accordance with its own bylaws, how its vote shall be cast, and that vote shall be sent to the Chief
23 Executive Officer of MedChi no more than sixty days after notification of the vacancy has been made.

24 7.803 All other vacant trustee positions shall be filled by the component, section, or delegation
25 represented according to its bylaws.

26 As adopted by the House of Delegates at its meeting on September 27, 2014.