

AIA Caucus Meeting
June 23, 2019

North EBOD Present: Carly Philp - President/JMU, Antares Leask - Vice President, Suzie Brooks - Vice President, Andrew Schlaf - Secretary, Miles Strebeck - Colorguard Coordinator, Grant Butters - Percussion Coordinator, Nancy Ro - Contest Coordinator/South Lakes, Daniel Valadie - Judges Coordinator

South EBOD Present: Les Simms - President, Kim Kelly - Colorguard Coordinator, Laurie Cuffney - Secretary, Doug Casteen - Judges Coordinator, Ruth Corder - Contest Coordinator
Absent: Sandra White - Vice President, Rachel White - Vice President, Aaron Tucker - Percussion Coordinator

North Units in Attendance: Katie Rasure - Chancellor HS, Neil Landini - Powhatan HS, Megan Constantinides - Broad Run HS, Kaitlyn Ries - McLean HS, Will Vinson/Angie Estay - GMU

South Units in Attendance: Jody Jones - Cary HS, Luke Olgesby - Holly Springs, Emily Styron - West Cateret, Bob Kepler - Holly Springs Lil'Hawks, Brooks Wilson - Apex Friendship, Melissa Gaul - Green Hope, Carson Quick - First Flight

I. Call to Order: 1:06 pm

Paul Orsett has tendered his resignation as Executive Director effective June 30th.

II. Whole Circuit Proposals:

1. Submitted by Paul Orsett from Assembly Line Winter Guard (line 2; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

All music presented at an AIA contest will either be uploaded through the Competition Suite portal or be brought on a USB flash drive or device able to connect to an 1/8" cable. Iphone users MUST provide their own "dongle" for connection to the sound system. Music must be in mp3 or .wav files.

Rationale:

We are past the point of using CD's and we need to update our process to reflect this technology and remove obsolete formats.

Financial Impact:

NONE

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

WGI voted upon this at their last meeting and it did not pass. iPhone specific, and does not focus on other devices.

Friendly amendment: Strike "iPhone users must provide their own "dongle" for connection to the sound system. - Accepted

Friendly amendment: Move "Music must be in mp3 or .wav files." to after USB flash drive

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting with friendly amendment.

South

Yea – 8 Nay – 0 Abs – 1

North

Yea – 11 Nay – 0 Abs – 1

Total

Yea – 19 Nay – 0 Abs – 2

Motion passes, moves forward to the fall meeting

2. Submitted by Doug Casteen from Judge Coordinator (line 3; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Rule 3.0.2 - Classification. Current description states that Elementary and Middle/Junior High schools will be adjudicated on the SRA class sheets. Proposing to add another judging sheet that has less stringent scoring parameters while continuing to being educational

Rationale:

In both North and South regions, there are many SRA1 and SRA2 groups on the REGA sheet. Judges are having to keep a relative scoring tolerance with the Elementary and Middle School classes that they apply to HS students. This creates very low scores for the ES/MS classes throughout the season. This is the class where the judge absolutely wears the "teachers" hat and listening to the files and understanding scores is an integral part to students of this age. Sheets have been drafted and will be presented at caucus. Currently, these groups are scoring in the 40th-60th percentiles throughout the season. This change would have the groups scoring in the 70th-100th percentile which relates to academic standards these students are more familiar with.

Financial Impact:

Very Minimal. Printing an additional place mat with the new criteria.

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole

Discussion:

Timing does not change. No changes to CompetitionSuite. Only change is to the numbers that judges put down. Raw score would now become more aligned to the adjusted score that is currently announced as a final score. Adjusted score has been a South practice.

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting.

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 12 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Total

Yea – 21 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Motion passes on to fall meeting.

3. Submitted by South EBOD from South EBOD (line 4; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Article IV B c: eliminate or shorten to

PVB will consist of members in "good standing".

Rationale:

This bullet point is superfluous and covered already in article III C. If we want to repeat the statement shorten to Proposal

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

None

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting.

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 12 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Total

Yea – 21 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Motion passes on to the fall meeting

4. Submitted by South EBOD from South EBOD (line 5; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Change Article III C to give a time frame for member in good standing.

(For a member to be in good standing, a unit must have competed in the previous season of competition and have a zero balance with AIA ///by the end of May///.) Any member whose membership has lapsed will be considered for future membership as a new member.

Rationale:

Gives a clear time frame for membership to have fees paid to be eligible to vote at Caucus and allows EBOD to compile a list of members in good standing prior to the caucus.

Financial Impact:

None.

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

Friendly Amendment: Change "end of May" to "June 1st" - Accepted

After Championships to help collect penalty fees that may have been assessed.

Not in good standing: cannot vote at meetings, to go into effect next year.

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting.

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 12 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Total

Yea – 21 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Motion passes on to the fall meeting

5. Submitted by South EBOD from South EBOD (line 6; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Article IV C:

C. The Caucus meeting serves for organizations to bring up points of change they wish to see in AIA. Prior to the caucus meeting, a call for proposals will be issued. All member units in "good standing" can submit proposals as they see fit that can enhance AIA as a whole.

Rationale:

Change verbiage to add phrase "in 'good standing'". Members should be in good standing to be able to submit a proposal to make changes within the circuit.

Financial Impact:

None to AIA.

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

No discussion

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting.

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 12 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Total

Yea – 21 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Motion passes to the fall meeting

6. Submitted by South EBOD from South EBOD (line 7; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Article VIII E

1. There will be a minimum of one sound tech/announcer per contest site. These individuals are coordinated by the Contest Coordinator or designee by the EBOD of each region.

Rationale:

Some events do not require two individuals. It will be standard operating procedure to provide one sound tech and one announcer at all possible competitions. Bylaws need to reflect the minimal requirements of competitions. This is a clarification of our current practices.

Financial Impact:

None as this is how we already operate.

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

No discussion

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting.

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 12 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Total

Yea – 21 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Motion passes on to the fall meeting

7. Submitted by South EBOD from South EBOD (line 8; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Rules and Regs

Section 4.0 Championships

4.1 All units must compete in two AIA-Sanctioned contests to qualify for AIA championships and must have all membership dues and event entry fees paid in full with AIA prior to the close date of championships.

Rationale:

Outlines clearly to unit members when dues must be paid to prevent being removed from championships. Encourages membership to pay in a timely fashion. This adds accountability for finances and additional framework for sending prior notification of delinquent dues.

Financial Impact:

AIA should see decrease in outstanding fees at the end of the season. More money will be available going into championships which have both moved into larger venues.

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

EBOD recommends with addition of "no overdue invoices or at the EBOD's discretion: Friendly amendment to state "Rules and Regs Section 4.0 Championships

4.1 All units must compete in two AIA-Sanctioned contests to qualify for AIA championships and must have no overdue invoices with AIA prior to the close date of championships. Subject to the discretion of AIA EBOD "

Easy to track overdue invoices. What if we have one overarching bylaw addition regarding overdue invoices, should look at this in the fall.

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting with friendly amendment

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 9 Nay – 2 Abs – 1

Total

Yea – 18 Nay – 2 Abs – 1

Motion passes on to the fall meeting.

8. Submitted by South EBOD from South EBOD (line 9; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Expand 2.3 in Rules and Regs

2.3 The contest entry fee for member unit(s) and non-member units to AIA sanctioned contests will be determined annually by the Governance Board and post on the website prior to contest registration

2.3.1 All units regardless of classification will be subject to all membership and competition fees.

2.3.2 Member units with an unpaid event registration prior to the date of closing of the event may be removed from the competition schedule and replaced by a wait-listed member unit with paid event registration.

Rationale:

For 2.3.1 need to clarify fee practices for all units. In the past there have been inconsistent practices.

For 2.3.2 Clarification of wait-list practices and how to deal with unpaid member units. Prioritize member units that have paid for the event over those who have not paid.

Financial Impact:

Increase in income for AIA from 2.3.1 adjustment.

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

Friendly amendment: rephrase unpaid to overdue. - accepted

Friendly amendment to 2.3.2: Add “At the discretion of the EBOD” - accepted

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting.

South

Yea – 5 Nay – 2 Abs – 2

North

Yea – 11 Nay – 0 Abs – 1

Total

Yea – 16 Nay – 2 Abs – 3

Motion passes on to the fall meeting.

9. Submitted by South EBOD from South EBOD (line 10; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

This would impact a large portion of articles and sections. Percussion coordinator role should be expanded to percussion and winds coordinator. Verbiage should be edited throughout document to reflect this.

Rationale:

Winds should have a dedicated representative. Due to similarity in transportation and venues this would be best placed under the existing percussion coordinator role. Clarifies for units who to contact. If/When winds grows to need a dedicated coordinator this could be split off.

Financial Impact:

None.

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

This does not impact judges coordinators.

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting.

South

Yea – 8 Nay – 0 Abs – 1

North

Yea – 12 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Total

Yea – 20 Nay – 0 Abs – 1

Motion passes on to the fall meeting

10. Submitted by Miles Strebeck from Oakton HS (line 14; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Update Rules and Regulations 2.11 to bring it inline with AIA approved vote

"2.11 Performance order at all regular season contests will be randomized using the randomization tool in Competition Suite

2.11.1 Registered units will be automatically entered in to their even by the Competition Suite program.

Contest Coordinators will select the "randomize" button one time to create the order of performance for each contest. "

Rationale:

This is current practice. It was voted in at the September 2017 AIA meeting (please see meeting minutes posted on the web page). There were no amendments or changes to this rule at the 2018 meeting. Therefore, the document online should be updated to reflect the language that was approved at the September 2017 AIA meeting.

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Discussion:

Already voted upon, will make changes. No voting needed.

Vote:

~~To move forward to the fall meeting.~~

South

Yea — Nay — Abs —

North

Yea — Nay — Abs —

Total

Yea — Nay — Abs —

Motion

11. Submitted by Miles Strebeck from Oakton HS (line 15; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Update Rule 4.4 to bring it inline with AIA vote

Rule 4.4. Performance order for Championships will be determined by its region's EBOD.

Rationale:

This is current practice. It was voted in at the September 2017 AIA meeting (please see meeting minutes posted on the web page). There were no amendments or changes to this rule at the 2018 meeting. Therefore, the document online should be updated to reflect the language that was approved at the September 2017 AIA meeting.

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

Already voted upon, will make changes. No voting needed.

Vote:

~~To move forward to the fall meeting.~~

South

~~Yea — Nay — Abs —~~

North

~~Yea — Nay — Abs —~~

Total

~~Yea — Nay — Abs —~~

Motion

12. Submitted by Doug Casteen from Judges Coordinator (line 16; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Revise 3.0.1 Independent Color Guard - Change the wording from Open class to A Class. Revised Wording would state "Senior class - one or more members over 22 years of age and judged on WGI A class sheets but permitted to use World Class Regulations.

Rationale:

This has been the current practice for a few year now. Just cleaning up the rules to reflect this and to avoid any confusion with the judges on what criteria to judge the Senior class.

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

No discussion

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting.

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 11 Nay – 0 Abs – 1

Total

Yea – 20 Nay – 0 Abs – 1

Motion

13. Submitted by Doug Casteen from Judges Coordinator (line 18; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

6.0 Code of Conduct and Responsibility or place unique link on website.

Revise the code of conduct verbiage to match WGI's policy on this as WGI has encouraged circuits to clearly state their stance on the issue and may indeed use their verbiage that has been carefully selected.

Examples:

<https://www.wgi.org/about-wgi/code-of-conduct/>

<http://www.cwea.us/about/code-of-conduct>

Rationale:

Much clearer wording is needed regarding this policy as heightened awareness to these type of issues is needed nationwide and we need to be in full compliance as well as clearly stating our stance on any code of conduct issues.

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

No discussison

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting.

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 11 Nay – 0 Abs – 1

Total

Yea – 20 Nay – 0 Abs – 1

Motion passes on to the fall meeting

14. Submitted by North EBOD from North EBOD (line 19; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Require a scholastic letter/master agreement on file like WGI

Rationale:

From the WGI page: "WGI has updated its policies towards Participant Protection through a strengthened Code of Conduct. A centerpiece of formalizing these policies is the creation of a Participating Group Master Agreement required of each group attending a WGI event.

Previously, legal acknowledgements were incorporated into the event registration process. Depending on your classification (scholastic or independent) points such as scholastic eligibility(Scholastic Letter), insurance, and copyright are now incorporated into this new comprehensive document.

The "Master Agreement" must be signed by your principal or superintendent if your group is scholastic, or an officer if an independent group."

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

Great idea. Letter needs to be ready by September so people can see what they are voting on. May be held back in the timeline depending on if we need lawyers to review the document. WGI document had to be passed through multiple channels with a group and was rewritten by a school district because they did not agree. This can be a very tricky process to work with a school district.

Friendly amendment: accept WGI. Not accepted because WGI agreement is only with WGI and this must be an agreement with AIA

Need to look into this more.

Vote:

To table for revision and revisit at the fall meeting.

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 12 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Total

Yea – 21 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Motion passes to table for revision and revisit at the fall meeting.

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**Reclassification Proposals and Discussions Below**

Overall Discussion 15 and 16

There are three parts to the reclassification issue: off season, reclassification window and, qualifying competitions.

Moving down in the off season: Want to assume that people make the best decisions for their kids and are not gaming the system. See that it can happen. Leave in the option to be reviewed

and move down lower or higher. Concern with education of instructors on where they know to put their group. Typically judges only move one class up or down but has been done two up. Need to do a better job educating people reclassification options.

Rule 3.3 Unit can request to move down during the season, units are only required to do two shows. So this impacts our decisions on reclassification as well.

South favoring in discussion rewording 16.

Move to Table Discussion of Off 15 and 16. Need to be reworded and combined. Doug and Miles will get together to discuss

**Vote:**

**To table for revision and move to the fall meeting.**

**South**

**Yea – 1 Nay –7 Abs – 1**

**North**

**Yea – 13 Nay – 0 Abs – 0**

**Total**

**Yea –12 Nay – 7 Abs – 1**

**Motion passes for tabling pending revision**

15. Submitted by Miles Strebeck from Oakton HS (line 21; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

**Proposal:**

Add rule 5.X

Color guard units may reclassify down a maximum of one AIA class between competitive seasons. Units wishing to classify more than one (sub)class lower must petition their region's EBOD in coordination with the Judge's coordinator with an explanation of why the lower class is warranted prior to January 1.

**Rationale:**

Some units have attempted to game our classification system by moving down multiple classes, only to be reclassified back up or medal in class that they did not meet the criteria for. This provides a formal mechanism for off-season reclassifications down.

**Financial Impact:**

None

**Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:**

Whole Circuit

**Discussion:**

See overall discussion

16. Submitted by Doug Casteen from Judges Coordinator (line 22; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Add new statement 3.4 to the contest rules. - Color Guard

It is extremely important for all units to place themselves in the proper class. Performing groups should make every effort to compete in the class for which they are most suited. It is the position of AIA to trust the integrity of each group to place themselves in the appropriate class. Groups may intentionally move to a higher classification during the off-season if they feel this is appropriate for their performers. Groups may choose to move down only one (1) classification during the off-season provided they didn't medal or were not promoted at the end of the season

Rationale:

This gives the group directors some additional freedom to decide which class best suits their performers. We are placing a limit on how far down a group may chose to move down. If the judges at the first show feel the group is wrongly classified, they will follow the reclassification procedures to move the group back to their original class or may make the recommendation to move them to a lower class. Example: A group from A1 may only move down to A2.

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

See overall discussion

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17. Submitted by North EBOD from North EBOD (line 23; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Discuss extending the "reclassification period"

Rationale:

We would like to have a discussion on the pros and cons to extending the reclassification period. Extending this time period would allow groups to be placed into a proper classification for their skill level closer to Championships.

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

Discussion (not a movable motion)

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting.

South

Yea — Nay — Abs —

North

Yea — Nay — Abs —

Total

Yea — Nay — Abs —

Motion

18. Submitted by Miles Strebeck from Oakton HS (line 24; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Amend rule 5.2.1

Color guard reclassification period:

Color guard units may be reclassified between WGI classes (Regional A, A, Open, World) through the first 7 weekends of the AIA competition season.

Color guard units may be reclassified within WGI classes with AIA subclasses (i.e. within Regional A or within A) up to two Mondays prior to Circuit Championships.

Rationale:

Allows for units to be properly classified at Championships. Since there are differences between WGI classes for timing, those reclassifications will be capped after the first 7 weeks (as is current policy). Reclassifications within the AIA subclasses (i.e. between SRA2 and SRA1 and between A3, A2 and A1) may occur up until the penultimate week of competition. 2 Mondays (approximately 2 weeks before championships) would allow for the Championships schedule to be adjusted. Additionally, units would not need to adjust their shows because of timing requirements.

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

Next few years, season is 10 weeks. This changes the 7 beginning weeks we currently have, to focusing on the end of the season. Concern with transition between RA and A. How would we track that? Percussion is not based on a skill being worth whatever points. Clarification of what proposal states

Friendly amendment: Strike Open and World from proposal - accepted.

Vote:

To move to table and revise for the fall meeting.

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 12 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Total

Yea – 21 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Motion passes to table and revise for the fall meeting

19. Submitted by Miles Strebeck from Oakton HS (line 11; Sheet: 2019 Caucus Proposal Form)

Proposal:

Amend rule 4.1.1. regarding Championships eligibility.

"Amend the rule to read as follows: 4.1.1 Color guard units registered in ES, MS, SA1, IA and Open and World classes must compete in at least one AIA sanctioned Contest or WGI Regional Event hosted by an AIA member by "color guard coming out date" which is the fourth competitive week of the season. They must have competed in TWO (2) contests during the regular season.

Color guard units registered in SRA2, SRA1, IRA, SA3 and SA2 by the end of the must compete in at least one AIA sanctioned contest by the "color guard coming out date" which is the fourth competitive week of the season. They must have competed in TWO (2) AIA-sanctioned contests before the end of the reclassification period.

If a contest in which a unit is registered is cancelled it will count as one of their required contests."

Rationale:

"For young classes and classes where WGI is primarily responsible for classification, units would need to compete once before the coming out date and two overall contests. They may also substitute a WGI regional hosted by an AIA member for one of their required performances.

For classes where there may be a reclassification within AIA, it is appropriate for units to appear twice in AIA contests before the end of the coming out period. A WGI regional would not count towards the appearance requirements because of scoring dynamics at a Regional and lack of comparison to units within the class.

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

What if we change the number of required shows to 3? ES and MS have a different set of expectations.

Discouraging units from participating in a WGI event and instead choosing an AIA event goes against the original intention allowing WGI events to count. We want to encourage units to participate in locally hosted WGI shows. South does not currently have a WGI show that happens within the circuit boundaries. Mostly affects the North. Only one current WGI event that would be impacted.

Vote:

To move for revision and table to the fall meeting.

South

Yea – 0 Nay – 9 Abs – 1

North

Yea – 11 Nay – 0 Abs – 1

Total

Yea – 11 Nay – 9 Abs – 2

Motion is tabled for revision

III. Whole Circuit New Business

1. Submitted by Grant

Proposal:

Strike “by phone” from 5.8

Rationale:

Other communication means are available and should be allowed for use

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

None

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 12 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Total

Yea – Nay – Abs –

Motion passes, moves to the fall meetin

2. Submitted by Miles Strebeck

Proposal:

Article 7 of by-laws. Move ED from article 7 to article 8.

Rationale:

Current ED is listed as an officer, which should be voted upon and does not have term limit.
This would change it to an appointed role by the Governance Board

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

This is where this should be to reflect that ED is staff and appointed by GB.

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 12 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Total

Yea – 21 Nay – 0 Abs –

Motion

3. Submitted by Miles Strebeck

Proposal:

Amend Article 6.B GB. GB will appoint Executive Director.

Rationale:

Add the duty to Governance Board to appoint an Executive Director, since we are proposing to move it from elected officer to an appointed position

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole

Discussion:

None

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea –11 Nay – 0 Abs – 1

Total

Yea – Nay – Abs – 1

Motion passes

4. Submitted by Andrew Schlaf

Proposal:

Article 10 Amendments Proposed amendments should be sent to the secretary. Article 4 under meetings issues with proposals.

Amend Current Bylaws:

Article X

- A. These bylaws may be amended when necessary by two-thirds majority of the board of directors. Proposed amendments must be submitted to the **EBOD** to be sent out with regular board announcements. A summer caucus meeting will be held to discuss submitted proposals.

Article IV

C. The Caucus meeting serves for organizations to bring up points of change they wish to see in AIA. Prior to the caucus meeting, a call for proposals will be issued. All member units **in good standing** can submit proposals as they see fit that can enhance AIA as a whole.

- a. Proposal format – proposals submitted by member units shall focus on improving the overall performance of AIA; to include but not limited to adjustments to policies and procedures, improvements of operations, and how AIA can better promote learning. Submissions must also note whether or not there will be any impact on the budget.
- b. Member units shall have at minimum three weeks to prepare and submit their proposals to the **EBOD** via online form.
- ~~e. All proposals shall be typed and submitted to the ED who will disburse to the Executive Board of Directors (EBOD) of the North and South.~~
- d. Each proposal will be presented by the member organization who submitted the proposal, or their appointee, in person. Following the presentation, discussion will commence solely focused on the proposal at hand. Each proposal will be withdrawn, tabled until the September meeting, or voted on. The person presenting may request their proposal be withdrawn at any time.
 - i. Tabled items are delayed until further research and/or information is presented for clarification.
 - ii. Declined proposals voted will have no further action.

- iii. Approved proposals will be noted and presented at the September meeting for voting by the PVB of that election.

D. The Annual meeting shall take place in the month of September. At the annual meeting, the PVB shall elect new members to the EBOD as articulated in Article VII. The members will also receive reports on the activities of AIA and determine the direction of the organization for the coming season.

- a. The tentative show calendar will be distributed to the membership at the September meeting. All applications for hosting any given show date must be submitted no later than midnight on the posted deadline. The ED or region EBOD officer will post on the AIA Facebook page and on the AIA web page when applications are being accepted to host a contest for the upcoming season.

E. If proposals are not submitted for the Caucus meeting, they may be brought up in New Business at either the Caucus or the Annual Meeting.

Rationale:

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole Circuit

Discussion:

Friendly Amendment - add "in June" - not accepted

Vote:

Move to table for revision for the fall meeting

South

Yea – 9 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

North

Yea – 12 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Total

Yea – 21 Nay – 0 Abs – 0

Motion passes to table for revision

3. Submitted by Grant

Proposal:

4.1.2 Remove percussion coming out date.

Rationale:

Percussion coming out date moved back this past year and caused some issues.

Financial Impact:

None

Regional Proposal or Whole Circuit:

Whole

Discussion:

Potential issues with very small percussion shows and paying for full panel shows with few performing units. Consider pushing back full panels further into the season. If we do away with percussion coming out how do we make this worth it as a circuit financially. Other circuits have the same color guard and percussion coming out dates. Issues and concerns vary between North and South because of locality of shows.

Vote:

To move forward to the fall meeting

South

Yea – 0 Nay – 4 Abs – 5

North

Yea – 11 Nay – 0 Abs – 1

Total

Yea – 11 Nay – 4 Abs – 5

Motion passes

Whole Circuit Meeting Adjourned 3:42 pm

Minutes submitted by Andrew Schlaf/Laurie Cuffney

AIA North Secretary/AIA South Secretary

June 23, 2019

Fall Meeting September 22nd 2019