

Proposed changes to AMLS Bylaws Document

March 21, 2024

Table of Contents

| | |
|--|---|
| 1. Relocation of dues to Standing Rules | 2 |
| AMENDMENT 2024-1 | 2 |
| To amend Article V. Membership, Section 5. Dues Amount..... | 2 |
| 2. Reduce size of Nominating Committee..... | 3 |
| AMENDMENT 2024-2 | 3 |
| To amend Article VI. Officers, A. Election of Officers, Section 2 | 3 |
| AMENDMENT 2024-3 | 4 |
| To amend ARTICLE VIII. Board of Directors, Section 3. Duties of the Board, item g. | 4 |
| AMENDMENT 2024-4 | 4 |
| To amend ARTICLE VIII. Board of Directors, Section 4. Meetings of the Board, item b. ... | 4 |
| 3. Update to acknowledge workshop | 5 |
| AMENDMENT 2024-5 | 5 |
| To amend ARTICLE IX. Committees, B. Duties of Standing Committees, Section 10. Property Custodian Committee | 5 |
| 4. Update to gem show information | 6 |
| AMENDMENT 2024-6 | 6 |
| To amend ARTICLE IX. Committees, B. Duties of Standing Committees, Section 7. General Show Committee | 6 |
| AMENDMENT 2024-7 | 6 |
| To amend ARTICLE IX. Committees, B. Duties of Standing Committees, Section 8. Publicity Committee..... | 6 |
| 5. Reduce quorum sizes | 7 |
| AMENDMENT 2024-8 | 7 |
| To amend ARTICLE VII. Meetings, Section 4. | 7 |
| AMENDMENT 2024-9 | 7 |
| To amend ARTICLE VIII. Board of Directors, Section 5. Quorum..... | 7 |
| 6. Add agenda to Recording Secretary | 8 |
| AMENDMENT 2024-10 | 8 |
| To amend ARTICLE VI. Officers, B. Duties of Officers, Section 4. Recording Secretary .. | 8 |
| 7. Eliminate/consolidate committees to reduce number of board members..... | 9 |
| AMENDMENT 2024-11..... | 9 |
| To amend ARTICLE IX. Committees, B. Duties of Standing Committees, Section 13. Stamp Committee..... | 9 |
| AMENDMENT 2024-12 | 9 |
| To amend ARTICLE VI. Officers, B. Duties of Officers, Section 5. Corresponding Secretary | 9 |

Proposed changes to AMLS Bylaws Document

March 21, 2024

1. Relocation of dues to Standing Rules

AMENDMENT 2024-1

To amend Article V. Membership, Section 5. Dues Amount

by striking out "Adult Membership - \$15.00, Family Membership - \$20.00, Junior/Student Memberships - \$10.00, and Life Member/ Honorary member - exempt from dues".

The stricken information will be moved to the Standing Rules.

CURRENT WORDING:

Dues are paid annually and shall grant membership for a calendar year (January 1 – December 31). New members pay dues according to this Article through the end of the year in which they join; new members who join on or after June 1 of any year shall pay one-half of the following applicable amounts. Renewals extend membership through December 31 of each year.

Adult Membership - \$15.00

Family Membership - \$20.00

Junior/Student Memberships - \$10.00

Life Member/ Honorary Member - exempt from dues

NEW WORDING:

Dues are paid annually and shall grant membership for a calendar year (January 1 – December 31). New members pay dues according to this Article through the end of the year in which they join; new members who join on or after June 1 of any year shall pay one-half of the following applicable amounts. Renewals extend membership through December 31 of each year.

Proposed changes to AMLS Bylaws Document

March 21, 2024

2. Reduce size of Nominating Committee

AMENDMENT 2024-2

To amend Article VI. Officers, A. Election of Officers, Section 2

by striking out "six" and inserting "three" after the words "Committee consisting of"

and by striking out "three (3)" and inserting "one (1)" after the words "years of membership".

and by striking out "three" and inserting "two (2)" after the words "the remaining".

CURRENT WORDING:

There shall be a Nominating Committee consisting of **six** members in good standing with at least 2 years of membership, **three (3)** of whom shall be selected by the board of directors in the month of January, the remaining **three** shall be selected by the Society in the month of February. An individual member shall serve on the Nominating Committee for only two (2) consecutive years. The committee shall nominate a candidate for each office and make its report to the Society at the regular meeting in October.

NEW WORDING:

There shall be a Nominating Committee consisting of ~~six~~ three members in good standing with at least 2 years of membership, three (3) of whom shall be selected by the board of directors in the month of January, the remaining three shall be selected by the Society in the month of February. An individual member shall serve on the Nominating Committee for only two (2) consecutive years. The committee shall nominate a candidate for each office and make its report to the Society at the regular meeting in October.

Proposed changes to AMLS Bylaws Document

March 21, 2024

AMENDMENT 2024-3

To amend ARTICLE VIII. Board of Directors, Section 3. Duties of the Board, item g.

by striking out "three (3) members" and inserting "one (1) member" before the words "in good standing".

CURRENT WORDING:

g. Select **three (3) members** in good standing to serve on the nominating committee, selection to be made in the month of January.

NEW WORDING:

g. Select one (1) member in good standing to serve on the nominating committee, selection to be made in the month of January.

AMENDMENT 2024-4

To amend ARTICLE VIII. Board of Directors, Section 4. Meetings of the Board, item b.

by striking out "three (3) Nominating Committee members" and inserting "one (1) Nominating Committee member" before the words "finalizing the"

CURRENT WORDING:

b. A meeting of the board shall be held after the January meeting and before the February meeting for the purpose of selecting **three (3) Nominating Committee members**, finalizing the budget for presentation to the membership at the February meeting, and any other necessary business.

NEW WORDING:

b. A meeting of the board shall be held after the January meeting and before the February meeting for the purpose of selecting one (1) Nominating Committee member, finalizing the budget for presentation to the membership at the February meeting, and any other necessary business.

Proposed changes to AMLS Bylaws Document

March 21, 2024

3. Update to acknowledge workshop

AMENDMENT 2024-5

To amend ARTICLE IX. Committees, B. Duties of Standing Committees, Section 10. Property Custodian Committee

by inserting the word "Workshop" before the words "Property Custodian"

and by inserting the word "Workshop" before the words "Property Custodian Committee is responsible for"

and by inserting the words: "The custodian shall keep the workshop area clean of trash and debris." after the words "burn out kiln, etc."

CURRENT WORDING:

Section 10. **Property Custodian** Committee

The **Property Custodian** Committee is responsible for storage, maintenance and supervision of the club equipment, including saws, trimmers, cabbng machines, polishers, burn out kiln, etc. The custodian is also responsible for obtaining expendible items such as blades, belts, wheels, polishing compounds, oil, etc.

NEW WORDING:

Section 10. Workshop Property Custodian Committee

The Workshop Property Custodian Committee is responsible for storage, maintenance and supervision of the club equipment, including saws, trimmers, cabbng machines, polishers, burn out kiln, etc. The custodian shall keep the workshop area clean of trash and debris. The custodian is also responsible for obtaining expendible items such as blades, belts, wheels, polishing compounds, oil, etc.

Proposed changes to AMLS Bylaws Document

March 21, 2024

4. Update to gem show information

AMENDMENT 2024-6

To amend ARTICLE IX. Committees, B. Duties of Standing Committees, Section 7. General Show Committee

by striking out "Tannehill show each June" and inserting "yearly gem show" after the words "all aspects of the"

CURRENT WORDING:

The General Show Committee is responsible for coordinating all aspects of the Tannehill show each June.

NEW WORDING:

The General Show Committee is responsible for coordinating all aspects of the yearly gem show.

AMENDMENT 2024-7

To amend ARTICLE IX. Committees, B. Duties of Standing Committees, Section 8. Publicity Committee

by striking out "Tannehill" and inserting "the yearly gem" after the words "media outlets to list"

and by striking out "Tannehill State Park" and inserting "the venue" after the words "Confirm information with"

CURRENT WORDING:

The Publicity Committee shall contact appropriate media outlets to list Tannehill show information, and other shows when necessary. Contact the EFMS & SFMLS for listing show information. Confirm information with Tannehill State Park representative for the show in their weekly, monthly, and yearly publications.

NEW WORDING:

The Publicity Committee shall contact appropriate media outlets to list the yearly gem show information, and other shows when necessary. Contact the EFMS & SFMLS for listing show information. Confirm information with the venue representative for the show in their weekly, monthly, and yearly publications.

Proposed changes to AMLS Bylaws Document

March 21, 2024

5. Reduce quorum sizes

AMENDMENT 2024-8

To amend ARTICLE VII. Meetings, Section 4.

by striking out "Fifteen (15)" and inserting "Ten (10)" before the words "senior members"

CURRENT WORDING:

Section 4. Fifteen (15) senior members of the society who are in good standing shall constitute a quorum, provided that at least two (2) elected officers are present.

NEW WORDING:

Section 4. Ten (10) senior members of the society who are in good standing shall constitute a quorum, provided that at least two (2) elected officers are present.

AMENDMENT 2024-9

To amend ARTICLE VIII. Board of Directors, Section 5. Quorum

by striking out "Seven" and inserting "Five" before the words "members of the board"

CURRENT WORDING:

Seven members of the board of directors shall constitute a quorum at board of director meetings.

NEW WORDING:

Five members of the board of directors shall constitute a quorum at board of director meetings.

Proposed changes to AMLS Bylaws Document

March 21, 2024

6. Add agenda to Recording Secretary

AMENDMENT 2024-10

To amend ARTICLE VI. Officers, B. Duties of Officers, Section 4. Recording Secretary

by renaming current item g. to h. and inserting new item "g. Create agenda for regular and board meetings." after the words "December meeting."

CURRENT WORDING:

f. Provide general and board of directors minutes from the preceeding year (December-November) to the Historian at the December meeting.

g. Perform such other duties as are incidental to this office.

NEW WORDING:

f. Provide general and board of directors minutes from the preceeding year (December-November) to the Historian at the December meeting.

g. Create agenda for regular and board meetings.

h. Perform such other duties as are incidental to this office.

Proposed changes to AMLS Bylaws Document

March 21, 2024

7. Eliminate/consolidate committees to reduce number of board members

AMENDMENT 2024-11

To amend ARTICLE IX. Committees, B. Duties of Standing Committees, Section 13. Stamp Committee

by striking out "Section 13, Stamp Committee. The Stamp Committee collects sellable stamps for submission to the Cancelled Stamp Program, for awarding a scholarship for the Southeastern Federation."

CURRENT WORDING:

Section 13. Stamp Committee

The Stamp Committee collects sellable stamps for submission to the Cancelled Stamp Program, for awarding a scholarship for the Southeastern Federation.

NEW WORDING:

[this section will be blank]

AMENDMENT 2024-12

To amend ARTICLE VI. Officers, B. Duties of Officers, Section 5. Corresponding Secretary

by inserting "d. Act as chair of the Publicity Committee" after the words "Sunshine Committee"

CURRENT WORDING:

c. Act as chair of the Sunshine Committee.

NEW WORDING:

c. Act as chair of the Sunshine Committee.

d. Act as chair of the Publicity Committee.