

BYLAWS
OF
THE TEXAS SOCIETY OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS, INC.

PREAMBLE

The mission of the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists is to advance, promote and preserve the highest quality, evidence-based, physician anesthesiologist-led care for all patients. We strive to achieve our mission through our core values of compassion, professionalism, advocacy, inclusion, and well-being.

ARTICLE 1 - MEMBERS

1.00 IN GENERAL

Membership in the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists, Inc., (hereinafter referred to as the "Society"), is a privilege and not a right. No person shall be accepted or continued as a member unless he or she is of good moral character and practices medicine within the Code of Ethics of the American Medical Association. Furthermore, if in active clinical practice, he or she shall practice anesthesiology in accord with applicable Standards of Care of the American Society of Anesthesiologists and any Statements of Policy of the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists.

The Society shall have its principal offices in Austin, Texas, at a location to be determined by the Board of Directors of the Society.

1.01 CATEGORIES

There shall be nine classes of membership: Active; Affiliate; Resident; Medical Student; Honorary; Retired; Active Disabled; Life; and Educational.

1.010 Active Member

A Doctor of Medicine or a Doctor of Osteopathy who holds a license to practice medicine in the State of Texas and practices anesthesiology in Texas.

1.011 Affiliate Member

An Affiliate Member must be in one of the following categories:

1.0110 A physician who is in the service of the U.S. Government (Armed Forces, Veterans Administration, or Public Health Service);

1.0111 A physician residing outside the United States;

1.0112 A scientist, not a physician, who is interested in anesthesiology;

1.0113 A physician not in the clinical practice of anesthesiology.

1.012 Resident Member

A physician in training in the State of Texas in an anesthesiology residency program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education.

A Resident Member shall not be eligible for this category any longer than the term of appointment in an accredited anesthesiology residency program. He or she must then qualify for Active or Affiliate membership in this Society or his/her membership must be terminated.

1.013 Medical Student Member

An individual undertaking full-time education in a medical school in the State of Texas and approved by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) or the American Osteopathic Association.

A Medical Student Member shall not be eligible for this membership category any longer than the course of education in an approved medical school. He or she must then qualify for Resident or Affiliate membership, or his/her membership must be terminated.

1.014 Honorary Member

A physician or other scientist who has attained eminence in anesthesiology or who has rendered years of faithful service to the Society or other individuals who have made significant contributions to promoting the medical specialty of anesthesiology in the state of Texas.

An Honorary Member need not be an Honorary Member of the ASA.

1.015 Retired Member

A physician who has retired from professional activities and who has been an Active Member in this Society for ten years or more, or who is a retired member of the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

1.016 Active Disabled Member

An Active Member of this Society who is disabled and therefore unable to engage in the practice of anesthesiology for six months or more.

1.017 Life

Any member of the society who is a Life Member of the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

1.018 Anesthesiologist Assistant

An anesthesiologist assistant or a student anesthesiologist assistant shall be working in the State of Texas and a member in good standing with the Texas Academy of Anesthesiologist Assistants (TAAA).

1.019 Eligibility Requirements

If applicable, all members must maintain equivalent applicable membership in the American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA).

1.02 LOCATION OF PRINCIPAL PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

The term "Location of Principal Professional Activity" shall be defined as the place where the member performs the greater part of his or her professional duties, or the location where the member receives United States Postal Service deliveries associated with his or her Principal Professional Activity, as distinguished from his or her place of residence or location of temporary or other professional pursuits.

Each Active, Resident, Medical Student or Educational Member's location of principal professional activity shall be in the State of Texas. In the event of uncertainty or dispute as to location of principal professional activity, the matter shall be referred to the Membership Committee of this Society for a ruling, and the Committee's decision shall be final.

1.03 PROCESSING OF APPLICATION

1.030 Active

An application shall be submitted to the Secretary of this Society on the form titled "Application for Membership".

1.031 Affiliate

An application shall be submitted to the Secretary of this Society on the form titled "Application for Membership."

1.032 Resident

An application shall be submitted to the Secretary of this Society on the form titled "Application for Membership" and shall be endorsed by the Director of the training program.

1.033 Medical Student

An application shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Society on the form titled "Application for Membership" and shall be endorsed by the chair of the department of anesthesiology of the applicant's medical or osteopathic school.

In situations when there is no anesthesiology department at the applicant's medical or osteopathic school, an application can be endorsed by a representative of the student's college of medicine/osteopathy or the TSA Secretary.

1.034 Honorary

Nominations for Honorary Membership shall be in writing and forwarded to the Membership Committee. Nominations shall specifically set forth the qualifications of the candidate and be supported by the signatures of three active members of this Society who are personally acquainted with the individual. Upon approval, the Membership Committee shall submit the nomination with its recommendations to the House of Delegates. A two-thirds vote of the seated members of the House of Delegates shall be necessary for election to honorary membership. Members of this Society elected to honorary membership in the American Society of Anesthesiologists automatically become honorary members of this Society.

1.035 Retired

An application shall be submitted to the Secretary of this Society stating the facts by which the applicant is eligible for such membership.

1.036 Active Disabled

Active disabled members of this Society meeting the requirements of paragraph 1.016 shall at their request be placed in Active Disabled membership status. When they resume active practice, they must so notify the Secretary of the Society and shall thereupon be reinstated as active members.

1.037 Anesthesiologist Assistant

Each applicant as described in 1.018 shall file with the Secretary of this Society an application endorsed by two active Society members and signed statements subscribing to (a) the Guidelines for the Ethical Practice of Anesthesiology as that document relates to anesthesiologist assistants and (b) The Anesthesia Care Team statement as approved by the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

1.038 Change of Status

Any member wishing to change his or her category shall submit a new application through the Secretary of this Society to the Board of Directors for its consideration.

1.04 APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS

All applicants shall be investigated by the Membership Committee, who shall recommend acceptance or rejection to the Board of Directors. A member shall be elected by a majority vote of the Board of Directors of this Society.

1.05 RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES

1.050 Active and Active Disabled

Active and Active Disabled Members of this Society shall be entitled to full voting privileges.

1.051 Affiliate, Resident, Medical Student, Honorary, and Retired

These members shall be entitled to attend meetings and to participate in all functions of the Society, including membership on committees, except that they shall not serve as officers, delegates, or other officials and shall not be entitled to vote, except at meetings of committees on which they serve.

1.052 Life

These members shall have all the privileges of active members but shall not pay dues or assessments.

1.053 Anesthesiologist Assistant

These members shall be entitled to attend meetings that are approved by the Board of Directors and serve as committee members, except that they shall not serve as officers, delegates, or other officials and shall not be entitled to vote. Committee appointments will be limited to a one-year term.

1.06 AGREEMENT OF MEMBERS

By making application for membership or by continuing membership in this Society, each member agrees to abide by and be bound by the Articles and Bylaws of this Society, and to abide by any Statements of Policy of this Society, as well as all applicable Standards of Care of the ASA and the Principles of Medical Ethics of the American Medical Association.

1.07 MAINTENANCE OF OTHER MEMBERSHIPS

Active and resident members of the American Society of Anesthesiologists upon transfer of their location of principal professional activities to the State of Texas, shall make written application for membership in this Society within ninety days thereafter.

1.070 Failure to Maintain Membership in the American Society of Anesthesiologists

Upon receipt of written notice from the American Society of Anesthesiologists that a member of this Society is not a member of such organization, the Secretary of this Society shall give written notice to such member that his or her membership in the Society will be terminated unless he or she regains membership and gives evidence thereof to the Secretary within sixty days. If the member does not regain membership in the ASA within this sixty day period, the Secretary shall remove such member's name from the membership rolls of this Society and shall notify him/her thereof.

1.08 APPEAL

A member of the American Society of Anesthesiologists whose application for membership in this Society is disapproved, may appeal to the Board of Directors of this Society.

1.080 Notice

The member shall forward written notice of appeal to the Secretary of this Society, who will refer the matter to the Judicial Committee of this Society.

1.081 Investigation

The Judicial Committee shall:

1.0810 Request the Membership Committee to furnish a written statement detailing the reason for its ruling;

1.0811 Request the member to furnish a written statement detailing the grounds for appeal, together with such documentary material as deemed necessary; and,

1.0812 Make such other investigations as it deems necessary or proper.

1.082 Hearing

The Judicial Committee may, at its sole discretion, convene a hearing on the matter. At such a hearing, both the applicant and the Membership Committee

of this Society are entitled to an advocate. The advocate must be an Active Member of the ASA.

1.083 Report

The Judicial Committee shall make a written report to the Board of Directors of this Society, stating its findings and its specific recommendations.

1.09 CENSURE, SUSPENSION, AND EXPULSION OF MEMBERS

A member of this Society may be censured, suspended, or expelled for cause.

1.090 Cause

1.0900 Removal or denial of membership by the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

1.0901 Revocation or suspension of license to practice medicine by a regularly constituted State authority.

1.0902 Conviction in a court of law of felony or any offense involving moral turpitude.

1.0903 Any cause or act which is detrimental to this Society or the medical specialty of anesthesiology.

1.0904 Failure to abide by the provisions of these Bylaws.

1.0905 Failure to abide by the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists Guidelines for Expert Witness Testimony.

1.091 Investigation

Cases involving complaints about Expert Witness Testimony shall be referred to the Peer Review Committee for initial investigation pursuant to Article 9.2052 of the Bylaws. All other causes or claims shall be referred directly to the Judicial Committee, which shall conduct an investigation and hearing as deemed necessary.

1.092 Procedure

If the Judicial Committee determines hearings are necessary, it shall prepare a notice which will:

1.0920 Set forth the matter in question with sufficient particularity so that the member will be cognizant of the questions to be inquired into;

1.0921 Inform the member that he or she will have an opportunity to be heard by the Judicial Committee; and

1.0922 Inform the member that he or she will be notified of the time and place of the hearing at least 30 days in advance.

1.093 Hearing

The Judicial Committee may make such other investigation as it deems proper and shall give the member notice of any hearing as per Article 1.0922 of these Bylaws.

At the hearing, the member shall have the opportunity to speak, to present a written statement, and to produce documents and witnesses, and he or she is entitled to an advocate, who shall be an Active member of the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

Should the member involved fail to appear at the hearing, the Judicial Committee may consider the matter on the basis of the notice and reports from the Peer Review Committee, as well as evidence and information developed during the investigation.

1.094 Report

The Judicial Committee shall make a written report to the Board of Directors of this Society, stating:

1.0940 The matters set forth in the notice sent to the member in question;

1.0941 The findings of fact of the Judicial Committee thereon; and

1.0942 The specific recommendations of the Judicial Committee. The findings of fact by the Judicial Committee are conclusive.

1.095 Action

At the next meeting of the Board of Directors following receipt of such report, the Board shall consider and act upon same.

The Board shall, by resolution, determine whether or not the member should be disciplined and the nature of the disciplinary action, if any.

1.10 EFFECT OF CENSURE, SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION

Censure, suspension or expulsion of a member of this Society affects his or her status as follows:

1.100 Censure

Censure of a member shall be at the discretion of the Board of Directors and shall not limit the affected party's rights and privileges of membership in this Society.

1.101 Suspension

Suspension of a member shall be for a definite period of time and may, at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors, be commuted at any time.

During the period of suspension, the member is not entitled to exercise any of the rights or privileges of membership in this Society and shall not, for the purpose of these Bylaws, be deemed a member in good standing.

If the suspended member is an Officer, Director, or member of any Committee of this Society, the Board of Directors may, at its discretion, declare that position vacant.

1.102 Expulsion

All rights and privileges of a member in this Society cease upon expulsion or the termination of membership pursuant to the provisions of Sections 1.07, 1.09, or Article 2 of these Bylaws. Any position in this Society held by such member thereupon becomes vacant.

1.11 REINSTATEMENT

A member of this Society whose membership has been terminated pursuant to the provisions of Sections 1.07 or 1.09 of these Bylaws may make application for reinstatement, provided:

1.110 Application is made in the same manner as provided in these Bylaws for an original application for membership; and

1.111 One year has elapsed since the date the membership was terminated, or since rejection of any prior application for reinstatement.

ARTICLE 2 – FUNDS AND EXPENDITURES

2.0 FUNDS

Funds of this Society are derived from the following sources:

2.00 DUES

The annual dues of the Society shall be recommended by the Board of Directors of this Society and ratified by a majority vote of those voting at the next Annual or Special Meetings of the House of Delegates.

2.000 Affiliate and Educational members shall pay one-half the amount of dues paid by active members.

2.001 Life, Honorary, Active Disabled, and Retired Members shall pay no dues or assessments.

2.002 Residents in anesthesiology and Medical Students shall not be required to pay dues.

2.003 An active Society member who is called to active military duty for a period of at least six months shall not be required to pay Society dues. Upon return from active military duty, the member shall pay a pro rata portion of the annual dues in their applicable membership category (e.g. active, affiliate, etc.). Members must request the temporary dues waiver, in writing, by contacting the Secretary of the Society.

2.004 Due Date

Annual dues are due and payable on January 1 of each year.

2.01 ASSESSMENTS

Special Assessments may be recommended by the Board of Directors, when necessary to raise additional funds, subject to ratification by a majority of the membership present and voting at a Regular or Special meeting of the House of Delegates.

2.02 OTHER SOURCES

Funds may be derived from voluntary contributions, bequests, income from publications of this Society, and any other source approved by the Board of Directors.

2.03 NON-PAYMENT OF DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

A member shall be delinquent if the dues and/or assessments are unpaid by March 31; and after notification, if still delinquent on June 1, his or her membership will be terminated. Assessments for the late payment of dues shall be made by the Board of Directors.

2.04 REINSTATEMENT

Any membership terminated for non-payment of dues and assessments may be reinstated by one of the following pathways:

2.041 If dues and/or assessments are paid by December 31st of the year of lapsed payment, members are reinstated without reapplication to the Society.

2.042 If dues and/or assessments are paid on or after January 1st of the year following lapsed payment, former members wishing to rejoin must make an application in the same manner as provided in these Bylaws for an original application for membership.

2.1 EXPENDITURES

Expenditures of funds of this Society shall be made in the following manner:

2.10 Authority

Funds may be expended as authorized by the Board of Directors:

2.100 Within the limits of the annual budget approved by the House of Delegates; and

2.101 In accordance with the authorizations and within the limitations provided in these Bylaws.

2.11 Payment

Checks issued by this Society must bear the signature of the Treasurer;

Provided, however, that the Board of Directors may authorize the establishment of special bank accounts and authorize the person or persons who may sign checks.

ARTICLE 3 - OFFICERS, DELEGATES, AND DIRECTORS

3.0 OFFICERS

The Officers of the Society shall be a President, Immediate Past President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Speaker of the House of Delegates, and Vice Speaker of the House of Delegates.

3.01 Eligibility

Only Active members in good standing shall be eligible for election to the aforesaid positions. Service in an office does not preclude the election to the same or other office.

3.02 Election

All officers except the President and Immediate Past President shall be elected, in the manner provided by Article 5.5 in these Bylaws.

3.03 Term

The term of office shall be for one year starting at the close of the Annual Session of the House of Delegates except for the Speaker and Vice-Speaker of the House of Delegates whose terms of office shall be for three years starting at the close of the Annual Session of the House of Delegates.

3.04 Duties

The duties of the elected officers are as follows:

3.041 President

The President shall:

Endeavor to efficiently administer the affairs of this Society during his or her term of office;

Attempt in all ways possible to contribute to the welfare of the public through the medical specialty of anesthesiology, further the aims and activities of this Society to the fullest extent, and perform such other services as custom, necessity and parliamentary usage require;

Counsel with the officers, district directors, committee members and other individuals on matters pertaining to the improvements of this Society;

Appoint all committees, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws;
Serve as ex-officio member of all committees of this Society;

Participate ex-officio and with the right to vote in sessions of the House of Delegates;

Deliver an address at his or her inauguration;

Deliver a report to the House of Delegates at the close of the term in office; and

Perform such other duties as are provided in these Bylaws.

3.042 Immediate Past President

The Immediate Past President shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Directors. He or she should be considered for appointment to the Judicial Committee.

3.043 President-Elect

The President-Elect shall assist the President in the administration of the affairs of the Society and if, for any reason, the President is unable to fulfill his or her duties, whether it be because of illness, death, resignation, or unwillingness to serve, the President-Elect shall preside for the remainder of that term, after which he or she shall serve as President for the year for which elected.

3.044 Secretary

The Secretary shall:

Serve as the official correspondent of this Society with the American Society of Anesthesiologists;

Maintain a current roster of all members of this Society, classified according to categories of membership;

Forward appropriate forms to applicants for membership in this Society, and to active resident members of the American Society of Anesthesiologists, who have transferred the location of their principal professional activity to the jurisdiction of this Society;

Certify for membership those applicants for Medical Student Membership who come from a medical or osteopathic school without an anesthesiology department;

Certify all applicants who have been accepted for membership in this Society;

Notify the Executive Office of The American Society of Anesthesiologists the name and category of membership of each new member accepted into this Society, the name and new category of each member of this Society changing status, the name and category of individuals whose membership in this Society has been terminated and

the reasons for said termination, and any change made in any elective office of this Society;

Forward to the Executive Office of the American Society of Anesthesiologists by January 15th of each year, a report showing as of December 31st of the preceding year:

3.0441 The roster of membership classified as to categories of membership,

3.0442 The names and categories of membership of all new members accepted by this Society during the preceding year,

3.0443 All membership category changes occurring during the preceding year,

3.0444 All terminations of membership in this Society during the preceding year, together with the reason for termination, and

3.0445 The names of the officers of this Society;

Forward to the Executive Office of the American Society of Anesthesiologists at least sixty days prior to each annual session of that Society, a list of authorized delegates and alternate delegates who will represent this Society in the House of Delegates of The American Society of Anesthesiologists;

Notify the Director of each District, on or before January 20th of each year, the number of delegates to which that District is entitled for that year;

Supervise and handle the secretarial material of this Society, and act as corporate secretary in so far as the execution of official documents or institution of official actions may be required;

Serve as recording secretary of the Board of Directors and the House of Delegates of this Society and provide certified credentials to members of the House of Delegates; and

Perform such other duties as are provided in these Bylaws.

3.045 Treasurer

The Treasurer shall:

Act as the official custodian of all monies, securities and valuable papers of this Society as the Board of Directors may require, and supervise their deposit in banking institutions;

Prepare each year a budget of anticipated income and expenditures for the succeeding fiscal year of this Society. The fiscal year of this Society shall be from January 1 to December 31;

Be responsible for a detailed accounting of all receipts and disbursements of this Society;

Pay all authorized obligations of this Society by vouchers signed in his or her official capacity;

Submit at each meeting of the Board of Directors and of the House of Delegates a report concerning the financial transactions of this Society, the funds in his or her care, and actions taken as Treasurer; and

Perform such other duties as are provided in these Bylaws.

3.046 Assistant Treasurer

The Assistant Treasurer shall:

Assist the Treasurer in the performance of his or her duties; and

Perform the duties of the Treasurer when requested by the Treasurer to do so, and when the Treasurer is unable to act.

In the event that a vacancy occurs in the office of Treasurer, the Assistant Treasurer shall become Treasurer for the unexpired term.

If a vacancy occurs in the office of Assistant Treasurer, it may be filled by a vote of the Executive Committee.

The voting privileges of the Assistant Treasurer are the same as for other members of the House of Delegates.

3.047 Speaker of the House of Delegates

The Speaker of the House of Delegates shall:

Preside at meetings of the House of Delegates of this Society;

Serve as official parliamentarian of this Society; and

Serve as a member of the Bylaws Committee of this Society;

Assist the President in maintaining the continuity of on-going programs of the Society;

Address the House of Delegates at the opening session of all meetings, limiting his or her address to matters of conduct and procedure in the House.

The Speaker is entitled to vote when the vote is by written ballot. In all other cases he or she shall have the right to vote only in case of a tie vote.

3.048 Vice-Speaker of the House of Delegates

The Vice Speaker of the House of Delegates shall:

Assist the Speaker in the performance of his or her duties; and

Perform the duties of the Speaker when requested by the Speaker to do so, and when the Speaker is unable to act.

In the event that a vacancy occurs in the office of Speaker, the Vice-Speaker shall become Speaker of the House of Delegates.

His or her voting privileges are the same as for other members of the House of Delegates.

He or she shall also serve as a member of the Committee on Bylaws.

3.05 Vacancies

Vacancies in the offices of President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and Vice-Speaker of the House of Delegates shall be filled by a vote of the Executive Committee. If the term of a member appointed by the Executive Committee to be Vice-Speaker of the House of Delegates does not end at the close of the next meeting of the House of Delegates, the House shall confirm the appointment of the Vice-Speaker. In the event that the appointment of the Vice-Speaker is unconfirmed, the House of Delegates shall elect a Vice-Speaker to fill the unexpired term.

3.1 DELEGATES TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS

3.11 Election

The House of Delegates shall elect Delegates and Alternates Delegates (the Delegation) at an Annual Meeting of the House of Delegates to serve in the

House of Delegates of The American Society of Anesthesiologists. Election shall be by a majority vote of the voting members present.

3.12 Term

Delegates shall be elected for a three-year term and Alternates Delegates for a one year term except for Delegate, Place 4, who shall be the person holding the office of ASA Alternate Director. Their terms shall begin at the close of the next annual ASA House of Delegates meeting following their election, except for the addition of new delegates whose term shall begin at their election.

3.13 Duties

Duties of the Delegates are outlined in the Bylaws of The American Society of Anesthesiologists.

3.14 Expenses

Expenses incurred by Delegates and Alternate Delegates due to participation in the American Society of Anesthesiologists Annual Meeting will be paid in accordance with policies and procedures established by the Board of Directors of this Society.

3.2 DIRECTOR AND ALTERNATE DIRECTOR TO THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS

3.21 Election

The Society's House of Delegates shall elect a Director and an Alternate Director at an Annual Meeting of the House of Delegates to serve on the Board of Directors of the American Society of Anesthesiologists for a term of three years. Election is by a majority vote of the voting members present.

3.22 Term

The term of office shall be for three years beginning at the end of every third Annual Meeting of the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

3.23 Duties

The Director shall represent this Society on the Board of Directors and the House of Delegates of the American Society of Anesthesiologists, as official representative of District 19 of the American Society of Anesthesiologists, which is composed of the State of Texas.

The Director shall attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and the House of Delegates of the American Society of Anesthesiologists or make certain that this Society is represented thereat.

The Director shall report to the Board of Directors of this Society, immediately following each meeting of the Board of Directors or the House of Delegates of the American Society of Anesthesiologists, the actions taken, and recommendations made at such meeting; and

Each year by an appropriate time, the Director shall make available to the ASA President-Elect and First Vice President a list of TSA members who are willing to serve on the many committees of the ASA.

The Director shall perform such other duties as provided in these Bylaws.

The Alternate Director, in addition to his or her other duties, shall serve as Delegate, Place 4 in the ASA House of Delegates.

The Director and Alternate Director will perform such other duties as necessary to fulfill their duties as liaisons between this Society and the American Society of Anesthesiologists, as assigned by the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of this Society.

3.24 Expenses

3.241 Expenses incurred by the Director and Alternate Director due to participation in the American Society of Anesthesiologists Annual Meeting will be paid in accordance with policies and procedures established by the Board of Directors of this Society.

3.242 Expenses incurred by the Alternate Director due to attendance of the interim and annual meetings of the Board of Directors of the American Society of Anesthesiologists will be paid in accordance with policies and procedures established by the Board of Directors of this Society.

3.243 In the event that the ASA no longer funds the Director's expenses to attend the ASA Board of Directors meetings, said expenses will be paid in accordance with policies and procedures established by the Board of Directors of this Society.

3.25 Vacancies

If for any reason the ASA Director or ASA Alternate Director becomes unable or unwilling to perform the functions of the office, or is removed from office, or moves from the jurisdiction of the body which elected him or her to office, or is elected to higher office, such office shall be declared vacant.

Vacancies in office shall be filled in the following manner:

3.251 ASA Director

The ASA Alternate Director shall become the Director for the unexpired term.

3.252 ASA Alternate Director

If a vacancy exists at the Alternate Director position, it shall be filled by a vote of the Board of Directors. If the term of the member appointed by the Board of Directors to be the Alternate Director does not end at the close of the next meeting of the House of Delegates, the House shall confirm the appointment of the Alternate Director. In the event that the appointment of the Alternate Director is unconfirmed, the House of Delegates shall elect an Alternate Director to fill the unexpired term.

3.3 IMPEACHMENT

Any officer or other elected or appointed official of this Society may be impeached and removed from office for good cause.

3.31 Charges

All charges of impeachment shall be in writing and directed to the Board of Directors of this Society. All charges shall be in detail and signed by at least twenty-five (25) voting members of this Society, who agree in writing to substantiate their statements with documentary proof or to appear personally to substantiate said statements.

3.32 Notice

The Secretary of the Society shall mail a copy of the charges of impeachment to the accused official and file a copy thereof with the Judicial Committee of this Society.

3.33 Investigation

The Judicial Committee shall make such investigation and conduct such hearings as it deems advisable and appropriate and shall afford the accused official the opportunity to present evidence and witnesses in his or her own behalf. Such official may be represented by an advocate, who must be an Active member of the ASA, if he or she desires.

During the investigation, the accused officer will continue to serve the Society as provided in Article 3.04 of these Bylaws.

3.34 Recommendations

The Judicial Committee shall report its recommendations to the Board of Directors within thirty days after completion of its investigation.

3.35 Hearing

The Board of Directors has sole power to try all impeachment proceedings.

When the President is the accused official, the Speaker of the House of Delegates shall preside.

Within thirty days after receipt of the recommendations of the Judicial Committee, the Board of Directors shall set a time and place for a hearing on the charges of impeachment.

The Secretary of the Society shall give the accused official at least fifteen days notice of the date, time and place of the hearing

At the hearing the accused official shall have the opportunity to speak and to present documents and witnesses and may be represented by legal counsel.

Should the accused official fail to appear at the hearing, the Board of Directors may consider the matter on the basis of the charges, the report from the Judicial Committee, documentation, written statements of the official involved, and such other investigation as it deems necessary or proper.

3.36 Decision

If three-fourths of the entire membership of the Board of Directors, by secret ballot, finds that just and sufficient cause for impeachment has been presented, the charges shall be considered to have been sustained.

3.37 Effect

If impeachment charges are sustained, any elected or appointed position held by the accused official in this Society shall thereupon become vacant; and

Disciplinary action may be taken in accordance with the provisions of Section 1.10 of these Bylaws.

ARTICLE 4 - DISTRICTS OF THE SOCIETY

4.0 COMPOSITION

Districts of this Society shall be drawn by the Board of Directors and approved by the House of Delegates.

4.1 DISTRICT REPRESENTATION

4.11 Each District will be represented by one Director and a number of Delegates and Alternate Delegates based upon overall District membership (see section 4.31).

4.12 Requirements

To be eligible for election a District Director, Delegate or Alternate Delegate shall be an active member and shall maintain his or her place of principal professional activity in the District to be represented.

4.13 Election of Director, Delegates, and Alternate Delegates

4.131 Nomination

4.1311 In each District in which an election is to be held the following year, a District Nominating Committee is to be constituted by the preceding October 1. The committee shall be appointed by the Director and shall consist of at least three active members of that district, one of whom shall be designated by the Director to be the Chair of the Nominating Committee. If possible, no two members of the committee should be from the same locality. Each person appointed must agree in writing to serve, such agreement to accompany the notification of the TSA Executive Office on October 1. The written acceptance shall be kept on file in the TSA Executive Office until the conclusion of the next Annual Meeting of the House of Delegates.

4.1312 The active voting membership of each district in which an election is to be held shall be informed of the pending election and the composition of the District Nominating Committee for their District by October 15 in a manner recommended by the Communications Committee and approved by the Board of Directors.

4.1313 A list of active members eligible to serve as Director, Delegate or Alternate Delegate will be sent to the Director and District Nominating Committee of each district by the Executive Office prior to October 15. Recommendations to the District Nominating Committee for the slate of nominees

may be submitted to the Chair of the District Nominating Committee, to arrive by November 15; such recommendations should be accompanied by a statement (written or verbal) by the proposed nominee to the Chair of the District Nominating Committee or to the TSA Executive Office agreeing to abide by the delineation of the duties of the office as set forth in these bylaws.

4.1314 It shall be the responsibility of the District Nominating Committee to prepare a slate consisting of one (or more) nominee(s) for each position to be filled. Nominees should provide a wide geographical representation of the District.

4.1315 The District Nominating Committee shall meet or confer by December 1. If a conference call is necessary, the cost shall be borne by TSA. The District Nominating Committee is to complete its work by December 15.

4.132 Election

4.1321 The names of those nominated shall be placed on a ballot by the TSA Secretary and mailed to all voting members by February 1. The executed ballots shall be received by the TSA Executive Office by February 21. A plurality shall be necessary to be elected. A tie vote will be resolved by the Board of Directors.

4.1322 The results of the election will be certified by the Board of Directors at the Interim Meeting.

4.14 Terms of Office

4.141 Director

The term of office of the District Director shall be for three years starting at the opening of the Annual Session of the House of Delegates following the Director's election.

4.142 Delegate

The term of office shall be for three years and shall commence at the opening of the annual meeting following his or her election.

4.143 Alternate Delegate

Same as Delegate under 4.142.

4.144 Initial Terms of Office

Terms of office of the presently elected members of the House of Delegates shall begin at the start of the House of Delegates meeting at which the Delegates were elected. Alternate Delegates shall have the same term of office as that of their Delegate, and an Alternate Delegate may substitute only for his or her Delegate unless both are absent, in which case any Alternate Delegate from within the same District may substitute.

4.2 DUTIES OF DIRECTOR

4.21 The Director of each District shall:

4.211 Serve on the Board of Directors of this Society as the representative of the District from which he or she is elected;

4.212 Serve as the official correspondent of the District with this Society;

4.213 Make a written report relating to the work and to the condition of the specialty of Anesthesiology in his or her District at the annual meeting of the House of Delegates;

4.214 Attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and the House of Delegates during the term of office. In the event of inability to attend any one of these meetings it shall be the Director's responsibility to select from among the elected delegates or alternate delegates of that District a proxy who will appear in his or her place, duly authorized to cast a ballot on all official business at such meeting;

4.215 Perform such other duties as are provided by these Bylaws.

4.22 Appointment of Alternate Director

The Board of Directors shall appoint an Alternate Director of any District on the recommendation of the Director of that district. The Alternate Director shall be an elected Delegate or Alternate Delegate from his or her District. This appointment shall be made no later than the board meeting following the meeting at which the district director recommended appointment of an Alternate Director.

4.221 Term of Office of Alternate-Director

The term of office shall be concomitant with the term of office of the Director for which he/she serves as an Alternate.

4.222 Duties of the Alternate Director

The Alternate Director may attend any meetings of the Board of Directors at his/her own expense. In the absence of the Director at any Board meeting, the Alternate Director shall assume all the duties and responsibilities of the Director and shall be entitled to all rights, privileges and authorized payments due the Director for said meeting.

4.3 DISTRICT DELEGATES AND ALTERNATE DELEGATES

4.31 District Delegates and Alternate Delegates

Each District is entitled to one Delegate and one Alternate Delegate for each twenty-five voting members, or fraction thereof, as shown by the official membership roster as of December 31st of the preceding year, to represent the District in the House of Delegates of this Society.

If the membership within a District decreases so that the District is entitled to a lesser number of Delegates, the Delegate serving in the most recently created Delegate Place shall serve the full term to which elected, then that Delegate Place shall be eliminated if required by this Article of these Bylaws.

4.32 Precincts

Upon petition by members of a non-metropolitan geographic area within a District, the Director may request the Board of Directors to designate this area as a separate voting precinct within the District for the purpose of electing a Delegate and Alternate Delegate to represent the District from this precinct. The precinct shall exist for the duration of the term of office of the Delegate elected to represent that precinct.

4.33 Duties

Each Delegate and Alternate Delegate shall:

Attend all House of Delegates meetings and perform such other duties as are provided by these Bylaws.

4.34 Termination for cause:

Should a Delegate or Alternate Delegate not fulfill the duties (as specified in these Bylaws, Paragraph 4.33) of his or her office, the Delegate or Alternate Delegate may be removed from his or her elected office by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

4.4 VACANCIES

If for any reason the Director, or any Delegate or Alternate Delegate, become unable or unwilling to perform the functions of the office, or is removed from office, or moves from the jurisdiction of the body which elected him or her to office, or is elected to higher office, such office shall be declared vacant. In addition, should one of these offices fail to be filled after the approved nominations and election procedures, as outlined in Section 4.13, such office will be declared vacant.

Vacancies in office shall be filled in the following manner:

4.41 Director

4.411 In the event that the Director vacancy is for a term of one year or less, the Board of Directors will make an appointment to fill the vacancy of the unexpired term.

4.4111 Such office shall be filled by appointment of the Board of Directors on the recommendation of the departing District Director.

4.4112 If no such recommendation is made by the departing District Director, then the Board of Directors shall fill the office by appointment at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

4.412 In the event that the Director vacancy is for a term of more than one year, the vacancy will be filled using the following process.

4.4121 An Interim Director will be appointed by the Board of Directors, based upon the recommendation of the departing District Director. The Interim Director will hold this office until the election of a new Director, as outlined below.

4.4122 At the next annual election cycle, a special election will be held within the District to fill the remainder of the vacant term of the Director's office. All procedures outlined in Section 4.13 will be followed in this special election.

4.42 Delegate

Appointment by the Board of Directors on the recommendation of the Director to fill the vacancy of the unexpired term.

4.43 Alternate Delegate

Appointment by the Board of Directors on the recommendation of the Director to fill the unexpired term.

ARTICLE 5 - HOUSE OF DELEGATES

5.0 COMPOSITION

The House of Delegates of this Society is composed of the Officers, all Past-Presidents, Directors, and Delegates of the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists, Inc., the Director and the Alternate Director of ASA District 19, the ASA Delegates and Alternate Delegates, any ASA Officer who is a member of the Society and not otherwise a member of the House of Delegates, and the Chair and Vice-Chair of the TSARC.

5.1 PURPOSE

The House of Delegates is the primary legislative and governing body of this Society.

5.2 POWERS AND DUTIES

The House of Delegates is charged and entrusted with:

- 5.201** Final authority in all matters except where final authority is specifically delegated elsewhere by these Bylaws;
- 5.202** Transaction of all business of this Society not specifically otherwise provided for by these Bylaws;
- 5.203** Final authority in all the business and financial affairs of this Society;
- 5.204** Power to delegate authority to the officers of this Society or to the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors;
- 5.205** The duty to make annual appropriations for the expenditures of this Society, after receiving and considering the recommendations of the Board of Directors concerning the annual budget prepared by the Executive Committee;
- 5.206** Power to amend current appropriations at either an annual meeting or a special meeting;
- 5.207** Power to transfer all or any part of monies accumulated to any fund, to any other fund, or redistribute any unexpected monies previously allocated to various funds or purposes, by a two thirds majority of the delegates seated, at any regular meeting;
- 5.208** Authority to appoint committees for special purposes, which may be composed of members of this Society who are not members of the House of Delegates;
- 5.209** Sole authority to elect the officers of this Society at meetings held during the annual meeting, in the manner provided in these Bylaws;
- 5.210** Sole authority to elect the Director and Alternate Director of ASA District 19;

5.211 Sole authority to elect the Delegates and Alternates Delegates whom this Society is entitled to send to the House of Delegates of the American Society of Anesthesiologists;

5.212 Such other duties as are specified in these Bylaws.

5.3 DELEGATES

The term "Delegate" as used in this section of the Bylaws is defined as a Delegate, or Alternate Delegate seated in place of the Delegate, as the representative of his or her District in the House of Delegates of this Society.

5.31 Seating

No Delegate or Alternate Delegate shall be seated in the House of Delegates until his or her credentials have been approved by the Committee on Credentials.

5.32 Substitution

A Delegate shall serve without substitution at all meetings of the House of Delegates during the annual meeting, unless a substitution is approved by the Committee on Credentials.

5.4 MEETINGS

The House of Delegates shall meet during each Annual Meeting of the Society at the time and place established by the President, and it may recess from time to time, as it is necessary to complete its business.

5.41 Presiding Officer

The Speaker of the House of Delegates is the presiding officer.

5.42 Quorum

Sixty percent of the voting members of the House of Delegates constitute a quorum.

5.43 Votes

Except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, all questions shall be determined by affirmative vote of not less than a majority of those voting.

5.44 Voting Member

Each Delegate, Director, and officer of this Society shall have one vote, including the Director of ASA District 19 and the Alternate Director of ASA District 19. The Director and Alternate Director of ASA District 19, the ASA Delegates and Alternate Delegates shall have a vote only if not otherwise entitled to a vote. Past Presidents and ASA Officers shall not have a vote unless otherwise entitled to a vote.

5.441 Dual Membership

Should a voting member of the House of Delegates be elected to another voting office in the House of Delegates, the member so elected must choose the voting office that he or she wishes to occupy. The selection of one office shall constitute a vacation of the other office.

5.45 Order of Business

The official order of business of meetings of the House of Delegates shall be as outlined in the Rules of Order of this Society.

5.46 Special Meeting

Special meetings may be called by the President, with the approval of the Board of Directors.

Written notice of the time and place of a special meeting shall be mailed to each member of the House of Delegates at least thirty days prior to such meeting.

5.5 ELECTIONS

The officers of this Society shall be elected by the House of Delegates in the following manner:

5.51 Nominations

Nominations for all officers are made by the Nominating Committee and additional nominations for all officers may be made from the floor of the House of Delegates.

5.52 Voting

Election of officers shall be by secret ballot unless a single candidate is nominated, in which case the vote may be taken *viva voce*.

5.53 Election

A majority of the votes cast shall be necessary to elect. If on any ballot no nominee shall receive a majority of the votes cast, the two candidates receiving the largest number of votes shall be placed on a ballot for a run-off.

5.6 PUBLICATION

A summary of the proceedings of each meeting of the House of Delegates as provided by the Secretary shall be published in the Bulletin, or by other means approved by the Board of Directors of this Society.

ARTICLE 6 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

6.0 COMPOSITION

The Board of Directors of this Society is composed of:

One Director representing each District, the President, the President-Elect, the Immediate Past-President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the Assistant Treasurer, the Speaker and the Vice-Speaker of the House of Delegates, the Director and Alternate Director of the 19th District of the American Society of Anesthesiologists, the Chair of the Editorial Board, the Chair of the TSARC and the Vice-Chair of the TSARC.

6.01 Ex-Officio Members

Current elected officers of the American Society of Anesthesiologists who are members of the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Directors and the House of Delegates unless regularly elected to those bodies.

6.1 PURPOSE

The Board of Directors shall manage the business and financial affairs of this Society; and

In the interim between meetings of the House of Delegates, the Board of Directors may act upon matters which would otherwise require special meetings of the House of Delegates.

6.2 GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES

Except as otherwise specifically provided by these Bylaws, the Board of Directors is charged and entrusted as follows:

6.200 General Powers

The Board of Directors shall have:

6.2001 The power to acquire, manage, control and dispose of the Society's property and to authorize all contracts on behalf of the Society;

6.2002 The power to delegate such authority to the officers of the Society or to the standing committees of the Society;

6.2003 The power to institute, with the approval of the House of Delegates, such administrative procedures as it deems necessary;

6.2004 The power to make public statements on behalf of the Society; and

6.2005 Such other authority as prescribed for it in these Bylaws.

6.201 Budget

Prior to the annual meeting, the Board shall consider the proposed budget prepared by the Treasurer on anticipated income and expenditures. The Board shall act on this budget before it is submitted to the House of Delegates at the annual meeting.

6.202 Annual Dues

After consideration of the budget, the Board shall determine the amount of the annual dues for the ensuing year.

6.203 Changes in Budget

The Board may, by a two-thirds vote of its entire membership, change the budget in the interval between meetings of the House of Delegates, subject to modification or revocation by the House of Delegates.

6.204 Inspection and Audit

The Board may inspect and audit any and all financial records and accounts of this Society at any time, and shall do so at least annually.

6.205 Editorial Board

The Board of Directors shall elect the Chair of the Editorial Board.

6.206 Impeachment Proceedings

The Board has the sole power to try all impeachment proceedings.

6.207 Disciplinary Proceedings

The Board has final authority concerning censure or suspension of a member of this Society.

6.208 Committees

The Board may create committees from its membership,

Endow them with authority to act in the interim between meetings of the Board on specific matters which would ordinarily require special meetings of the Board, and

Augment such committees by appointment of additional members of this Society who are not members of the Board.

6.209 Other Duties

The Board shall perform such other duties as are:

Delegated to it by the House of Delegates;

Provided in these Bylaws; and

Usual and customary for the Board of Directors of a corporation and which are not in conflict with these Bylaws.

6.210 Report

All actions of the Board shall be reported to the House of Delegates at the annual meeting next succeeding such action; and

Such action by the Board is subject to modification or revocation by the House of Delegates upon affirmative vote of the majority of those voting;

Provided, however, that the rights of third parties without notice of this provision shall not be affected by such action of the House of Delegates.

6.3 MEETINGS

The Board of Directors shall meet at least annually at a time and place designated by the President.

6.31 Presiding Officer

The President is the presiding officer of the Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided by these Bylaws.

6.32 Quorum

Two-thirds of the voting members of the Board constitute a quorum.

6.33 Voting Members

Each member of the Board shall have one vote. Ex-Officio members shall not be entitled to a vote.

6.34 Notice. Notice of the time and place of each meeting of the Board shall be sent by mail or by other method currently approved by the Board of Directors to each member of the Board at least thirty days prior to the proposed time of meeting, except for meetings held during the Annual Meeting of this Society.

Provided, however, that this provision may be waived by written consent of two-thirds of the voting members of the Board.

6.35 Additional Meetings

Other meetings may be called by the President, with the approval of the Executive Committee of the Board; and

Special meetings shall be called upon petition of five members of the Board.

6.4 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors shall act in the interim between the meetings of the Board, upon specific matters which would ordinarily require special meetings of the Board.

6.41 Composition

The Executive Committee is composed of: the President, the Immediate Past-President, the President-Elect, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the Assistant Treasurer, the Speaker, and the Director representing the 19th District of the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

6.42 Powers and Duties

The Executive Committee functions to expedite, execute, and administer the previous actions and directives of the Board of Directors; and it shall:

6.421 Prior to each annual session, submit the proposed budget to the Board of Directors for its approval and submission to the House of Delegates; and

6.422 Otherwise act only on matters requiring urgent decision while the Board is not in session.

- 6.423** The Executive Committee functions only under direction of the Board of Directors; and
- 6.424** Its actions are subject to review and approval by the Board of Directors.
- 6.425** Refer to the Peer Review Committee any complaints received concerning Expert Witness Testimony.

6.43 Meetings

Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held upon call of the President;

The President is the presiding officer; and Four members of the Committee constitute a quorum.

6.44 Reports

The Executive Committee shall submit a detailed report of its activities at each meeting of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 7 - MEETINGS

7.0 ANNUAL MEETING

7.01 TIME AND PLACE

7.011 This Society shall hold an Annual Meeting at such time and place as has been fixed by the Board of Directors.

7.012 A change of time may be approved by the Board of Directors up to one year prior to the meeting and due notice shall be forwarded to the membership as early as possible.

7.02 PROCEEDINGS

7.021 Overall planning of the Annual Meeting will be under the supervision of the TSA Meeting Organizing Committee (TMOC).

7.022 The program of the Annual Meeting shall include business meetings of the House of Delegates, for election of officers, receipt of reports from officers, directors, delegates, committees, and other officials, and transaction of other business affairs of this Society.

7.1 SPECIAL MEETINGS

Special Meetings of this Society may be called by the President. The Chair of the Committee on Meetings shall from time to time make recommendations to the President for Special Meetings. The Chair of the Committee on Meetings shall recommend ex-officio members to the President for assistance with Special Meetings.

The President shall present to the Board of Directors for approval, a summary of the Special Meeting to include, but not limited to program content, location, budget and recommendations for attendance fees.

ARTICLE 8 - EDITORIAL BOARD

8.0 COMPOSITION

The Editorial Board is composed of a Chair and such Associate Editors as he or she may appoint.

8.1 ELECTION

The Chair shall be elected by the Board of Directors of this Society.

8.2 TERMS OF OFFICE

The term of office of the Chair of the Editorial Board is for two years, commencing at the close of the annual session of the House of Delegates in the year in which elected.

8.3 POWERS AND DUTIES

The Chair may appoint members of this Society to serve as Associate Editors to render editorial assistance.

The Chair shall act as Editor of the Society's publications, including the semiannual *Newsletter*, and the web site, and shall edit, and oversee the compilation, publication and distribution of TSA publications, and the business affairs of the Editorial Board.

The Editorial Board shall publish such other publications as authorized by the Board of Directors or the House of Delegates.

ARTICLE 9 - COMMITTEES

9.0 COMPOSITION

The Standing and Special Committees of this Society shall be composed of members of this Society, appointed by the President, except as otherwise provided by these Bylaws.

The President shall appoint the Chairs of committees to serve during his or her term of office except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws.

9.1 TERMS OF OFFICE

The terms of office of the chair and members of Standing and Special Committees shall be for the term of office of the President appointing them. The reappointment of committee chairs and members shall be considered on an annual basis with both committee chairs and members serving at the pleasure of the president.

Provided, however, that members of Committees existing at the time of adoption of these Bylaws shall continue to serve until expiration of the terms for which they were originally appointed.

9.2 STANDING COMMITTEES

The Standing Committees continue from year to year.

The President shall announce the membership of the Standing Committees, except as noted in Section 9.208, at the time of his or her installation in office.

The Standing Committees of this Society are:

9.200 Committee on Meetings

9.2001 Composition: Chair, Vice Chair, Second Vice Chair, Immediate Past Chair, President Elect, Chair of the Education Committee, Treasurer, Member of the Governmental Affairs Committee, Chair of the Committee on Resident and Medical Student Education, Member of the Long Range Planning Committee, Chair of the Resident Component, and three Members-at-Large. *As Ex Officio Members:* Immediate Past President, Speaker of the House, Vice Speaker of the House, Assistant Treasurer, Executive Director, Director of Governmental Affairs, TSA Social Media Associate, TSA Executive Associates, and Chair of the TSAPAC Board or their designee.

9.2002 Duties of the TSA Meeting Organization Committee: The committee will be responsible for every element of the Annual meeting, including but not exclusive to meeting planning, fiscal oversight and quality improvement. The committee shall maintain an Administrative Procedures document that details responsibilities and oversight for each of these elements of the annual meeting as well as the overall function of the committee. Changes to this Administrative Procedures document will be presented to the board at its next meeting whenever they are made. The annual report of the Committee will include meeting locations and dates for at minimum the next two

Annual Meetings. The annual report will also include a summary of the prior year's Annual Meeting financials as well as a pro-forma for the current year's and subsequent year's Annual Meeting budget. The Chair of the TSA Meetings Organization Committee shall update the President immediately should the projected budget for a specific meeting alter by more than 25,000 dollars.

9.2003 Duties of the TSA Staff: The Executive Director and the Society staff shall assist in all aspects of the Society's meetings at the direction of the Chair of the TSA Meeting Organization Committee.

9.201 The Committee on Bylaws

9.2011 Composition: Four voting members of this Society, at least two who were members during the previous year, and the Speaker and Vice-Speaker of the House of Delegates.

9.2012 Duties: To recommend amendments to the Bylaws to ensure consistency with the actions of the policy-making bodies of this Society; to review annually any changes made by the House of Delegates of the American Society of Anesthesiologists and recommend appropriate action to the Society's House of Delegates and

To prepare amendments which it considers advisable to facilitate the work and best interests of this Society.

9.202 Committee on Economics

9.2021 Composition: At least five members representing various practice modes, two of whom were members of the committee during the previous year. In addition, the Society's representative to the Texas Medical Association's Council on Socioeconomics will be an ex-officio member.

9.2022 Duties: To investigate economic issues affecting the practice of anesthesiology and make such recommendations as it deems proper, and

To represent this Society, under direction of the Board of Directors, in aiding the membership to secure and enforce legislation and rulings in the interest of the specialty of Anesthesiology, and

To provide representation for the Society at various regulatory agencies and advisory committees including Medicare, Medicaid and others, and

To establish and maintain communication with the Anesthesia Administrators Assembly (AAA) of Texas, and

To respond to requests from the President and/or Executive Committee of the Board of Directors for assistance regarding issues related to economics, and

To provide communication regarding issues jointly related to both committees, via the Chair, to the Committee on Governmental Affairs, and

To report to the Board of Directors and House of Delegates.

9.203 Committee on Membership

9.2031 Composition: The Secretary who shall act as Chair; and the Director of each of the Director Districts.

9.2032 Duties: To conduct investigations of all applicants for active membership in this Society and submit recommendations on such applicants to the Board of Directors,

To conduct investigations and make decisions on applications for all other categories of membership, except as otherwise provided for in these Bylaws, and

To encourage qualified persons to apply for membership in this Society.

9.204 Committee on Credentials

9.2041 Composition: Four members who are members of the House of Delegates.

9.2042 Duties: To act as a Credentials Committee to the House of Delegates as provided in the Rules of Order of the House of Delegates.

9.205 Committee on Peer Review

9.2051 Composition:

9.20511 The Peer Review Committee shall consist of three members, each serving a staggered three year term.

9.20512 The senior member shall be the Chair.

9.20513 The incoming President shall appoint the most junior member only. Each member of the Committee shall have

been an Active Member of the Society for a minimum of five years. If a vacancy occurs in the Committee, the President shall appoint an active member to fulfill the unexpired term, subject to approval of a majority of the Board of Directors.

9.2052 Duties:

9.20521 The Committee shall investigate and make recommendations where appropriate to fulfill the responsibilities assigned by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors. The Committee shall be responsible for developing and maintaining a program to provide peer review of expert witness testimony in litigation involving medical/legal issues related to any and all aspects of the practice of the specialty of anesthesiology.

9.20522 The Committee shall review cases which have been referred to it by members of the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists and the public. The Committee shall refer all cases in which further actions are deemed necessary to the Judicial Committee of the Society.

9.20523 The process governing the review of testimony and dealing with the results of the evaluation shall be detailed in the “Texas Society of Anesthesiologists Guidelines for Review of Expert Witness Testimony”. Developed by the Judicial Committee and approved by the Board of Directors.

For the purposes of these Bylaws, “testimony” includes any form of sworn testimony, as well as any written report submitted to a Court in support of a party’s position in litigation involving medical/legal issues related to the practice of the specialty of anesthesiology.

9.20524 The Committee's purpose in reviewing expert witness testimony is the furtherance of quality healthcare, and its activities will be conducted as medical peer review as described in the Texas Medical Practice Act (Tex. Occ. Code Sections 151.001 et seq) and the Federal Health Care Quality Improvement Act (42 U.S.C. Sections 11101 et seq).

9.206 Judicial Committee

9.2061 Composition:

9.20611 The Judicial Committee shall be composed of five Past Presidents each serving a staggered five year term.

9.20612 The Senior member shall be the Chair.

9.20613 The incoming President shall appoint the most Junior member only. Each member of the Committee shall have been an Active Member of this Society for a minimum of five years. If a vacancy occurs in the Committee, the President shall appoint an active member to fulfill the unexpired term, subject to approval of a majority of the Board of Directors.

9.2062 Duties:

9.20621 Investigate, conduct hearings and make recommendations to the Board of Directors where appropriate to fulfill the functions of the Committee as outlined in the Bylaws of the Society.

9.20622 Develop and maintain the “Texas Society of Anesthesiologists Guidelines for Review of Expert Witness Testimony” as the Society’s process for review and appropriate referral subject to approval by the Board of Directors.

9.20623 Review findings and recommendations referred by the Peer Review Committee involving expert witness testimony in litigation involving medical/legal issues related to the practice of anesthesia. The Judicial Committee shall take actions which it deems appropriate, including, but not limited to, initiating proceedings for censure, suspension, and/or expulsion of a member in accordance with Section 1.21 of these Bylaws, and recommending to the President that the matter be referred to the Texas Medical Board and/or the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

9.20624 The Committee's purpose in reviewing expert witness testimony is the furtherance of quality healthcare, and its activities will be conducted as medical peer review as described in the Texas Medical Practice Act (Tex. Occ. Code Sections 151.001 et seq) and the Federal Health Care Quality Improvement Act (42 U.S.C. Sections 11101 et seq).

9.20625 Review any matters referred to the Judicial Committee.

9.207 Committee on Education

9.2071 Composition: At least ten members, four of whom were members of the committee during the previous year.

9.2072 Duties: To plan and implement methods of furthering the post-graduate education of practicing anesthesiologists, including the arrangements for scientific educational programs sponsored by this Society;

To assist in obtaining approval and accreditation of scientific programs by the Accreditation Council of Continuing Medical Education; and

To act as an advisory group to the Committee on Meetings and the Board regarding educational efforts of the Society.

9.208 Committee on Governmental Affairs

9.2081 Composition: At least nine members, at least five of whom were members of the Committee the previous year, each serving a staggered four year term. The President-Elect will approve the continuation of the Chair as long as the Chair has served the Committee and the TSA according to the Bylaws, in the best interest of the Society. In addition to the Chair, the committee will be composed of the following members: A Vice Chair, to be elected by the Committee; at least three members at large recommended by the President, President- Elect or Chair; and one resident member (optional). Serving as ex-officio members: The Chair of the TSA Economics Committee; the TSA President and President-Elect; a representative of the ASA Committee on Governmental Affairs; the TSA Legislative Consultant; the TSA Legal Consultant; and the TSA Director of Governmental Affairs. There will also be a Governmental Affairs Advisory Board, which will be outlined below.

9.2082 Duties: To follow, receive, investigate and review, as far as possible, all matters of substance pertaining to governmental affairs that may affect the specialty and practice of anesthesiology, including: pending national and state legislative and administrative actions; all legislative and administrative affairs coming to the attention of the Society, however initiated; economic, state and federal regulatory agencies; and deliberations of federal, state and local courts.

To assist with preparations for the Legislative Agenda for the Society's Annual Meeting,

To plan Texas Anesthesiologists Day at the Capitol,

To determine which TSA members will be invited to attend the ASA Legislative Conference each year, and

To report pertinent conclusions and recommendations for action at each meeting of the House of Delegates.

9.2083 Governmental Affairs Advisory Board

9.20831 Composition:

The Governmental Affairs Advisory Board is composed of members selected by the President and President-Elect, with advice from the Chair of the Governmental Affairs Committee.

9.20832 Duties: The Governmental Affairs Advisory Board functions to provide the Committee on Governmental Affairs with needed expertise in areas such as legislative, economic and regulatory issues. It also provides a body from which the Committee on Governmental Affairs can draw Committee members, as needed.

9.209 Committee on Awards

9.2091 Composition: To be appointed annually and composed of past presidents 6, 7, and 8 years removed (or beyond if any of those unable to serve) and one other member of the Society to be appointed by the president for a total of (4). The earliest removed past president will be the chair of the committee.

9.2092 Duties: To make recommendations for awards to the House of Delegates in years in which nominations are deemed appropriate.

9.2092.1 The Distinguished Service Award is established to honor those who have rendered distinguished service to our specialty in Texas. These individuals must have been involved and participated in the affairs of the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists or have unusually distinguished themselves in matters directly associated with Anesthesiology. The **Distinguished Service Award** is to be presented at the Annual Meeting the year after he or she is identified and is to consist of an appropriately engraved certificate.

9.2092.2 The Cindy Zerwas Memorial Best Friend Award is established to honor non-member individuals who for a variety of personal reasons or circumstances have provided long term and dedicated service to our members and our Texas organization. The award should be presented to individuals who have exemplified themselves by their conduct and loyalty to the TSA. The award will be given following selection by the TSA Awards Committee.

9.2092.3 The **Dr. James Adkins and Linda Adkins Resident Award** is established to recognize our residents for their loyalty and involvement in all levels of our Society.

9.2092.4 The **Charles E. Cowles Professional Citizenship Award** is established to recognize a TSA member with evidence of outstanding impact on patients, colleagues, community and society through their own high standards and ethical conduct, staunch accountability and advocacy for the profession and organization and effective community activity. The award is intended to be presented only when there is a qualified nominee.

9.210 Committee on Long Range Planning

9.2101 Composition: At least four members who are members of the House of Delegates, plus as ex-officio members, Past Presidents of the Society and Society members who were Presidents of the ASA, four of these members to be appointed to the official committee for staggered one-year terms.

9.2102 Duties: To determine long range goals and objectives of our Society and make appropriate recommendations to the Board of Directors and the House of Delegates.

9.211 Nominating Committee

9.2111 Composition: The immediate Past President as chair, the President-Elect and the preceding three Past Presidents as members. If any of these are unable to serve, a replacement of the President's choice shall be named.

9.2112 Duties: To prepare a slate of officers to be presented to the House of Delegates. This slate of officers shall appear in the Handbook of the House of Delegates. The offices to be filled by the House of Delegates are:

President-Elect
Secretary
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer
ASA Alternate Delegates

In the years when their terms expire, the slate shall also include:

Speaker of the House of Delegates
Vice-Speaker of the House of Delegates
ASA Delegates

9.212 Committee on Communications

9.2121 Composition: Five or more members, at least two of whom were members of the committee the previous year, and the Chair of the Editorial Board.

9.2122 Duties: To provide avenues of communication among members of this Society and with the public,

To recommend to the Board of Directors methods of communication of information required by these bylaws (4.1312),

To maintain and update the Society's website, and the chair shall act as supervisor for the Society's website.

9.213 Committee on Administrative Affairs

9.2131 Composition: The President-Elect, the Immediate Past President and two other members.

9.2132 Duties: To coordinate the activities of the Society's Office and the Executive Director and to make recommendations to the Board of Directors and the House of Delegates regarding present and future administration of the affairs of this Society.

9.214 Committee on Society History

9.2141 Composition: Five or more members, at least two of whom were members of the committee during the previous year.

9.2142 Duties: To compile and preserve the records of this Society and to foster research and writing on the history of this Society and of Anesthesiology in Texas.

9.215 Professional Development Committee

9.2151 Composition: Five or more members, at least two of whom were members of the committee the previous year.

9.2152 Duties: To solicit and review input from TSA members regarding outstanding needs for professional improvement. To develop and propose mechanisms for the TSA to meet these outstanding needs. To assist in the execution of directives from the board of directors regarding the professional development of its members.

9.216 Committee on Patient Safety and Medical Quality

9.2161 Composition: The chairs of the Communications, Economics, Education, Governmental Affairs, Long Range Planning, Professional Development Committees, and the President-Elect, and one other member appointed by the President to serve as Chair of the Committee for a 3-year term. If a vacancy exists in the Chair, the President may select a new member to serve a 3-year term as Chair.

9.2162 Duties: To meet at least annually and report on the progress of, and propose methods of promoting, patient safety in Texas.

9.217 Financial Advisory Committee

9.2171 Composition: At least four members, two of whom previously served on the committee, and the current Treasurer, who shall serve as the recording secretary of the committee.

9.2172 Duties: To advise the Board of Directors on investments for the non-operational funds of the Society and to monitor the performance of any investments made, reporting to the Board of Directors and House of Delegates.

9.218 Committee on Office-Based Anesthesia

9.2181 Composition: Six active members of this Society, at least two of whom were members of the committee the year before.

9.2182 Duties: To evaluate rules and propose rules related to Office-Based Anesthesia.

9.219 Betty P. Stephenson Circle of Friends

9.2191 Composition: All previous recipients of the Betty P. Stephenson Award and the TSA President-Elect who will serve as an Ex-Officio Member.

9.2192 Duties: To propose the annual Betty P. Stephenson lecturer for approval by the TSA Executive Committee;
To select future Betty P. Stephenson Award recipients; and

To continue the legacy of Betty P. Stephenson through the organization of the Betty P. Stephenson Lectureship.

9.220 Committee on Key Contacts

9.2201 Composition: Nine members and a chairperson, three members from the Governmental Affairs Committee (GAC), three Members from the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists Political Action Committee (TSAPAC), and three members from the Economics Committee appointed by the TSA President-Elect with endorsements from the respective Chairpersons of the GAC, Economics Committee and TSAPAC. All of these members are voting members of the Committee. Additional members may be appointed by the President-Elect, the additional members will be non-voting members. The Chairpersons of the GAC, Economics Committee, and TSAPAC will be members-at-large of this committee and will be non-voting members. In consultation with the Chairperson of the Key Contacts Committee the President-Elect may make additional appointments of Residents as he/she desires up to one resident member per training facility.

9.2202 Duties: To develop and maintain a robust and comprehensive list of state and national key contacts for government and non-government stakeholders in conjunction with the TSA Director of Governmental Affairs;

To meet on a regular basis with the state and national key contacts. Meetings should occur at least three times a year, once formally during the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists Annual Meeting and two other meetings either formally or by conference call. This will be at the choice of the Key Contact Chairperson.

To report on a regular basis to the Chairpersons of the GAC and TSAPAC on the status of the key contact list;

To report to the Board at every meeting the status of the Key Contact list and other matters of interest concerning Key Contacts; and

To submit an annual budget with consultations from the TSA Director of Governmental Affairs, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and Executive Director no later than June 15st of each year.

9.221 Committee on Resident and Medical Student Education

9.2211 Composition: At least ten members, four of whom were members of the committee during the previous year.

9.2212 Duties: Identify and provide resources for education and development of anesthesiology residents and medical students. Act as an advisory group to the Committee on Meetings, Committee on Education and the

Board regarding educational efforts of the Society directed toward residents and medical students.

9.222 Practice Management Committee

9.2221 Composition: 5 or more members at least two of whom were members during the previous year.

9.2222 Duties: To solicit and review input from TSA members regarding contemporary practice management issues relevant to members. To make recommendations to the Board of Directors on plans of action deemed appropriate regarding these issues.

9.223 Regional Anesthesia and Pain Medicine Committee (RAAPM)

9.2231 Composition: Five or more members, at least two of whom were members of the committee during the previous year.

9.2232 Duties: To increase the connectivity and collaboration of RAAPM specialists in Texas; to develop targeted and stratified RAAPM learning opportunities for the membership; to advocate for adequate payment of RAAPM practices; and to establish physician anesthesiologists as the definitive resource for perioperative pain management.

9.3 Special Committees

Special Committees of this Society may be appointed by the President for specific purposes during his or her term of office.

Special committees may not be given assignments conflicting with or duplicating the functions of any standing committee.

An **Ad-Hoc Committees** will be a special committee appointed by the President for an assignment that has an indeterminate conclusion. Ad-Hoc committees will automatically dissolve at the conclusion of the term of the President creating them unless they are specifically given continuance by the next President before the conclusion of the first Board of Director's meeting of his term.

A **Taskforce** will be a special committee appointed by the President that will exist until its specific charge has been completed. This charge may transcend the term of the President appointing it. A Taskforce may be dissolved by the President at any time prior to the completion of its charge. A Taskforce will automatically dissolve upon the completion of its charge.

A **Sub-committee** will be a special committee convened to support the work of a standing committee. Sub-committee's may be dissolved at any time by the President, but otherwise will continue to exist beyond the term of a President. Members of a sub-committee may be appointed by the President or Chair of the Standing Committee under which they exist.

9.4 Reports

Each committee of this Society shall report its activities in the following manner:

9.41 Annual Report

A written report detailing its activities and recommendations addressed to the House of Delegates and forwarded to the Secretary of this Society.

9.42 Interim Reports

Such written reports as the Board of Directors or the House of Delegates may be required.

9.43 Filing

Annual reports shall be filed by the Chair of each committee no later than six weeks prior to the annual session. All reports should be in a standard electronic, editable format.

ARTICLE 10 - AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended only in the following manner:

10.0 HOUSE OF DELEGATES

The House of Delegates of this Society may amend these Bylaws by a two-thirds vote of the seated Delegates at any annual meeting.

Provided, however, that:

10.01 Such amendment shall have been presented to the House of Delegates at a previous annual meeting; or

10.02 Such amendment shall have been recommended by the Board of Directors and published in the Newsletter or Bulletin or distributed via e-mail at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting.

10.1 EMERGENCY ACTION

These Bylaws may be amended at the Annual Meeting at which the amendment is first introduced, or at a special session of the House of Delegates called for the purpose, in the following instances:

- 10.11 If the amendment is approved by vote of three-fourths of the seated members of the House of Delegates; or
- 10.12 If the amendment is recommended by a two-thirds vote of the entire membership of the Board of Directors and approved by a two-thirds vote of the seated members of the House of Delegates.

ARTICLE 11 - GUIDELINES, STANDARDS, POLICIES AND STATEMENTS

- 11.0** The Society shall abide by the applicable Standards of Care of the ASA.
- 11.1** The House of Delegates of this Society may adopt by a two-thirds vote of the seated delegates at any Annual Meeting additional guidelines, standards, policies and statements.

Provided, however, that:
 - 11.11** The guidelines, standards, policies and statements so adopted shall be of particular relevance to the ethical or clinical practice of anesthesiology, and
 - 11.12** Such guidelines, standards, policies and statements shall have been presented to the House of Delegates at a previous annual meeting; or
 - 11.13** Such guidelines, standards, policies and statements shall have been recommended by the Board of Directors and published in the Bulletin or Newsletter, or distributed via e-mail, at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting.
- 11.2** Guidelines, standards, policies and statements shall be appended to the Bylaws of the Society.
- 11.3** Time Limit

All guidelines, standards, policies and statements of the Society shall expire ten years after adoption unless re-adopted by the House of Delegates by 2/3 vote.
- 11.4** Amendment of guidelines, standards, policies and statements shall be in the same manner as amendment to these Bylaws.

RULES OF ORDER FOR THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

1.01 PURPOSE

These Rules of Order are set forth to govern all the deliberations of the House of Delegates and its committees.

2.01 MEETINGS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

The House of Delegates shall meet as required by Section 5.4, Article 5 of the Bylaws of this organization.

3.01 SUBSIDIARY COMMITTEES

Credentials Committee

The Credentials Committee shall examine the credentials of all who seek admission to the House of Delegates, and rule on the seating of members and proposed substitutions for absentees. All those whose credentials as furnished by the Secretary are found to be in order shall be registered and seated as official members of the House of Delegates.

An appeal on any ruling of the Credentials Committee may be entered by the individual whose credentials are in question or by any voting member in such individual's behalf. Such motion to appeal must be entered immediately following the report of the Credentials Committee to the House that a quorum exists and a majority vote by the House will decide the issue.

The Credentials Committee shall report to the House, when requested by the Speaker, on the following:

- (a) Total number of members of the House eligible to vote at this session.
- (b) Number of such members registered and officially seated.
- (c) Announcement of quorum.

Reference Committees

Reference Committees appointed by the President may be constituted at any session of the House of Delegates for the purpose of considering any items which the House desires to refer for further study.

4.01 HOUSE OF DELEGATES HANDBOOK

A Handbook containing all reports submitted to the House of Delegates before the first session of the House of Delegates shall be published and distributed to all members of

the House of Delegates. The Handbook shall contain the minutes of the previous session of the House, the reports of all committees, the reports of the District Directors, all minutes of Board of Directors meetings held since the last session of the House, the Secretary's report, the Treasurer's report with proposed budget, the report of the Director of ASA District 19, and any unfinished business from the previous House. The publication in the Handbook will constitute introduction into the business of the House.

5.01 ANNUAL SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Two sessions of the House of Delegates shall be held.

5.02 ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE FIRST SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

- (a) Registration and seating of members of the House of Delegates. Non-voting members shall be seated in a section apart and clearly separated from voting members.
- (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
- (c) Call to order by the President.
- (d) Institution of the Speaker as the presiding Officer.
- (e) Introductory remarks by the Speaker.
- (f) Approval of the minutes of the last session of the House.
- (g) Report of the President.
- (h) Nominating Committee Report and nominations from the floor.
- (i) Recognition of Nominees for office and optional remarks by candidates in disputed elections not to exceed three minutes each candidate.
- (j) New Business.
- (k) Announcement of Reference Committee Hearings.
- (l) Recess of the first session.

5.03 ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE SECOND SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

- (a) Registration and seating of members of the House of Delegates.

- (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
- (c) Call to order by the Speaker.
- (d) Reports of the Reference Committees with appropriate action on all matters of business placed before the House.
- (e) Election of Officers.
- (f) Resumption of the chair by the President.
- (g) Installation of the incoming President.
- (h) Address of the Incoming President.
- (i) Adjournment.

6.01 MOTIONS

Only members of the House of Delegates are privileged to make motions, except that the duly appointed Chair of any Committee may make motions pertaining to any matter which has been referred to and considered by his or her committee, whether he or she be a member of the House or not, and further, except that any voting member of a committee may make motions incident to the introduction of and debate on minority reports.

All resolutions shall be submitted in writing.

The Speaker may, at his or her discretion, direct that complicated motions or amendments be submitted in writing.

A motion to take any tabled motion from the table is in order either during the same session at which it was tabled or during the next session, even if sessions are held no more often than annually. In this reference the term "session" shall be understood to include the total number of meetings which are held between the initial convening of the House of Delegates and its final adjournment.

7.01 DEBATE

Discussion and debate on any matter before the House shall be carried on according to standard parliamentary procedure as outlined in the official parliamentary authority of this Society.

Any voting or non-voting member of the House of Delegates has the right to discussion of any matter before the House.

Any duly appointed member of a Committee shall be accorded the privilege of discussing any matter which was considered and is being reported by that Committee.

Any consultant or technical assistant shall be accorded the privilege of discussing any matter before the House, if invited by the Speaker, or if such request is made by any member, provided, however, that this privilege may be denied such individual by a motion duly entered and passed by a majority of the voting members of the House.

The President shall be granted the floor without regard to the customary limitations of debate, insofar as this can be done without depriving any other member of his or her parliamentary rights, and further provided that the President shall be bound by the usual rules of parliamentary decorum, as well as any special rules to limit debate which are in effect at the time.

8.01 VOTING

Voting shall be carried on according to standard parliamentary procedure as outlined in the official parliamentary authority of this Society.

The method of voting shall be at the option of the Speaker, except when the method is stipulated in the Bylaws of this Society or the House adopts a motion to vote in a specific way. The Speaker shall state the method of voting when the question is put to vote.

If the Speaker is in doubt as to the outcome of any vote, he or she shall retake the vote by some method which will indicate that exact number voting on each side. Likewise and under the same circumstances any voting member of the House may request a retake of the vote.

If any election to office results in a tie vote, the winner shall be determined by drawing lots.

9.01 APPEALS, CHALLENGES AND CLAIMS OF ILLEGALITY

An appeal, challenge or claim of illegality may be entered only by voting members of the House, except that an appeal from a decision of the Credentials Committee may be entered by the individual whose credentials are in question.

Appeals from a decision of the Chair must be raised immediately after the decision is rendered and before other business has intervened.

Appeals from a decision of the Credentials Committee must be raised immediately following the announcement of a quorum and before other business has intervened.

All other appeals, challenges or claims of illegality must be raised at the same session at which the action under question occurred.

10.01 UNANIMOUS CONSENT

The House may, by unanimous consent, grant any motion, action, or request which is not in violation of any provision in the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws of the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists, Inc., even if such action is adjudged to be out of order according to the official parliamentary authority of this Society, or these Rules of Order.

11.01 AMENDMENT AND SUSPENSION

These Rules of Order may be amended, or any provision thereof temporarily suspended by a two-thirds majority vote of the House of Delegates at any legal meeting of the House.

No provisions of these Rules of Order shall be effective and no amendment to, nor suspension of the provisions thereof shall be permitted if such provision or action is in violation of the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws of the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists.

12.01 PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The latest edition of Sturgis' Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure shall govern all matters not covered by the Rules of Order or the Bylaws of this Society.

Those situations not so covered shall be decided by the Speaker, with the consent of the House of Delegates.

Revised By-Laws adopted by Resolution 5-4-68

Amendments 5-3-70

Article 1 (1.21 & 1.22) Article 3 (3.1 & 3.2), Article 5 (5.1 & 5.3) and Article 9

Amendments 5-14-72

Article 1 (1.131, 1.171, 1.19 & 1.191), Article 3 (3.22 & 3.34) and Article 5 (5.41)

Amendments 5-4-75

Article 1 (1.153, 1.211a), Statement of Policy and Guidelines to Ethical Practice of Anesthesia

Amendments 5-9-76 (Major Revisions)

1.136, 1.154, 1.171, 1.172, 1.204, 1.216, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.11, 3.12, 3.13, 3.141, 3.143, 3.144, 3.145, 3.146, 3.147, 3.2, 3.21, 3.22, 3.3, 3.31, 3.40, 3.41, 3.42, 3.43, 3.44, 3.45, 3.46, 3.47, Deleted Articles 4 through 10 and substituted Article 4 -Director Districts, Article 5 - House of Delegates, Article 6 Board of Directors, Article 7 - Annual Sessions, Article 8 - Interim Meeting, Article 9 - Editorial Board, Article 10 - Committees, Article 11 Funds and Expenditures, Article 12 - Referendum, Article 13 - Amendments, Rules of Order for the House of Delegates

Amendments 9-12-76

4.0221, 4.0222, 4.0234, 5.054

Amendments 9-18-77

1.12, 1.131, 1.136, 1.173, 2.4, 3.141, 3.143, 3.146, 3.147, 3.24, 3.34, 4.0232, 4.0233, 6.032, 6.04, 10.031

Amendments 9-17-78

4.0221, 4.0231, 4.0232, 4.0234, 6.01, 6.043, 10.038, 10.039, 10.040, (old 10.038 et seq. re-numbered 10.041 to 10.045) Rules: 4.01, 5.01, 5.02, 5.03, (old 5.01 to 11.01 re-numbered 6.01 to 12.01)

Amendments 9-16-79

2.5, 10.036, 10.041 (re-numbered 10.041, 10.042, 10.043, 10.044, 10.045) (Guidelines to the Ethical Practice of Anesthesiology and the TSA Statement of Policy also amended.)

Amendments 9-7-80

1.135, 1.136, 1.137, 1.156, 1.157, 10.031

Amendments 9-6-81

2.11, 2.12, 2.3, 2.4, 3.147, 3.148, 10.041

Amendments 9-19-82

6.032, 6.052

Amendments 9-18-83

3.34, 7.01, 10.042 et seq.

Amendments 9-9-84

10.040 (deleted) re-numbering balance of article

Statement on Regional Anesthesia

Essentials for the Ethical Application of the Team Concept in Anesthesiology Patient Care

Amendments 9-15-85

4.0221, 4.0222 and 6.01

Amendments 9-13-87

1.12, 1.136, 1.156, 1.171, 2.12, 4.0221 (4.221), 4.0222 (4.222), 4.04 (4.4), 5.01 (5.1), 10.031 (9.31), 10.036 (9.36); added 6.11; combined Articles 7 and 8 into Article 7 - Meetings renumbering subsequent Articles accordingly; changed all references to annual or interim "session(s)" to "meeting(s)"; and renumbered as follows: 1.1321, 1.1322, 1.1323 and 1.1324 to a., b., c. and d.; beginning with Article 4 renumbered 4.01 to 4.1, 4.02 to 4.2, 4.020 to 4.20, 4.021 to 4.21, 4.022 to 4.22; paragraphs under the main heading not previously numbered designated a., b., etc., 4.023 to 4.23, 4.0231 to 4.231, and so forth. Changed reference to 4.0232 to 4.232 (in 4.233), 4.03 to 4.3 and the ensuing un-numbered paragraphs designated a.b., etc. Removed the leading zero after the decimal point in all subsequent paragraphs; and 5.03 (5.3) subparagraphs lettered a., b., etc. instead of (A), (B).

Amendments 9-11-88

5.54; 9.40 (changed Committee on Founders Award to Committee on Awards); 9.42 (established a Nominating Committee and provided composition and duties; and re-numbered previous 9.42 and 9.43)

Amendments 9-10-89

2.3, 2.4, 3.22, 3.24, 3.33, 4.231, 4.4 a, 9.37

Amendments 9-9-90

5.1, 5.54, 6.43, 9.42, 9.43, 9.44, 9.45, (renumbered 9.43 through 9.443) (Adopted ASA Amended Standards for Basic Intra-Operative Monitoring)

Amendments 9-7-91

3.34; 9.33; 9.46 (established Committee on Leadership Development; and re-numbered previous 9.46, 9.47 through 9.473); Rules of Order for the House of Delegates 12.01 (selected Sturgis' Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure as official parliamentary authority)

Amendments 9-13-92

1.136 (changed eligibility requirement for active disabled membership from one-year's disability to six months' disability); Guidelines to the Ethical Practice of Anesthesiology, paragraph C (removed the gender bias)

Amendments 9-12-93

9.40 (changed name of Founders Award to Distinguished Service Award); 9.41 (changed composition of Long Range Planning Committee)

Amendments 9-11-94

1.17; 3.1; and 4.21 (deleted two-year membership requirement for elections to the House of Delegates or to hold office.

Amendments 9-5-96

Complete revision of Bylaws to reflect gender neutrality.

Amendments 9-10-98

Article 1 (1.152); Article 4 (4.1 & 4.20); Article 9 (9.43, 9.46, 9.47, 9.48 & 9.49)

Amendments 9-16-99

Article 2 (added 2.13, eliminating dues for Residents in anesthesiology); Article 4 (4.1) and (4.3); and Rules of Order For The House of Delegates (5.01). Eliminated all statements of policy currently in force and adopted en bloc all Standards, Guidelines and Practice Parameters as approved and published by the ASA. Added Article 13 - Guidelines, Standards, Policies and Statements.

Amendments 9-5-02

Preamble inserted; Article 1 (1.11); (1.12); (1.13); (1.131); (1.132); (1.133); (1.134); (1.138); (1.151); (1.152); (1.155); (1.157) inserted; (1.158); (1.19); (1.191); (1.21); (1.212); (1.213); (1.215a); (1.23); (1.24); (1.24a,b); Article 2 (2.11); (2.3); (2.4); (2.5); Article 3 (3.12); (3.144); (3.144d); (3.146); (3.147); Article 4 (District 7); (District 8); (4.221b,c,d,e); (4.31); (4.4b); (4.5); Article 5 (5.42); (5.61); Article 6 (6.33); (6.34); (6.42); (6.44); Article 9 (9.32); (9.33); (9.34); (9.38); (9.40); (9.43); (9.44); (9.46); (9.47); (9.48); (9.49); (9.50); (9.501); (9.502); (9.503); Article 11 (11.23); Rules (3.01c); (5.02b,c,d,g,h,i,j,k,l); (503b,c,h,i); (7.01).

Amendments 9-10-04

Adopted new Article 2.14 and Article 3.5. Revised Article 9.36 and Article 9.37.

Amendments 9-9-05

Adopted new Article 3.1455. Revised Article 3.1. Adopted new article 9.314. Revised Article 9.47.

Amendments 9-08-06

Revised Article 3.148, Article 6.1, Article 6.51 and Article 9.42 to include the office of Assistant Treasurer.

Amendments 09-09-07

Amended Article 6.52c to delete the words “has no policy making power, and” when referencing the TSA Executive Committee.

Revised Article 12.1b to include e-mail distribution.

Revised Articles 9.39 and 9.47 to reflect the name change of the Legislative Affairs Committee to the Governmental Affairs Committee.

Revised Article 9.3 and 9.39 to reflect the changes to the composition and scope of the Governmental Affairs Committee.

Adopted new Articles 9.391, 9.392, 9.393 and 9.394.

Amendments 09-05-08

Complete revisions.

Amendments 09-11-09

Revised Article 9.215 to reflect the name change of the Professional Development and Practice Opportunities Committee to the Professional Development Committee.

Revised Article 9.2152 to reflect the changes to the scope of the Professional Development Committee.

Amended Article 4.141 to delete the word “close” and replace with “opening”.

Amended Article 4.142 to delete the word “conclusion” and replace with “opening”.

Adopted new Article 4.34.

Amendments 09-10-10

Removed section 4.133; Revised sections 3.045, 4.4, 6.201 and 6.42.

Amendments 09-07-12

Amended Article 9.208, sections 9.2081, 9.2082, 9.2083, 9.20831 and 9.20832.
Deleted Article 9.208 sections 9.2084, 9.2085 and 9.2086.

Amendments 09-06-13

Amended Article 9.216 to change name to Committee on Patient Safety and Medical Quality; Added Article 9.218-Committee on Office-Based Anesthesia and Article 9.219-Betty P. Stephenson Circle of Friends

Amendments 09-05-14

Amended Article 9.200 Committee on Annual and Interim Meetings to appropriately reflect the actual duties of the Committee.

Amendments 09-11-15

Amended Section 7.02; Deleted Section 7.03; Amended Section 7.1; Deleted Section 7.11; Amended Sections 9.200, 9.2001, 9.2002, 9.2003, 9.2004, 9.2005, 9.2092.1; Added 9.2092.2; and Added Section 9.220

Amendments 09-7-18

Amended Section 1.018; Amended Section 1.037; Amended Section 1.053; Amended Article 5; Amended Article 6; and Added Section 9.20625.

Amendments 09-06-19

Added Section 9.2092.3; Modified Sections 3.23, 9.1 and 9.2152.

Amendments 09-13-20

Amended Section 9.2201 Committee on Key Contacts Composition to allow for appointment of additional non-voting members by the President-Elect.

Amendments 09-09-22

Addition of Section 9.2092.4 The Charles E. Cowles Professional Citizenship Award.
Creation of Section 9.221 Committee on Resident and Medical Student Education.
Amended composition of Section 9.20611 Judicial Committee from five active members to five Past Presidents.
Revised the Preamble of the Bylaws to reflect the core values of the Society.

Amendments 09-08-23

Modified sections 8.3 and 9.2122 to remove the oversight of the TSA website from the Editorial Board to the Communications Committee.

Amendments 09-06-24

Revised Article 6 Board of Directors - Section 6.200 General Powers – Sub sections 6.2003, 6.2004 and 6.2005.
Revised Article 6 Board of Directors - Section 6.3 Meetings – Sub section 6.33.
Revised Article 6 Board of Directors - Section 6.4 Executive Committee – Sub section 6.41.
Revised Article 7 Annual Meeting – Section 7.02 Proceedings – Sub section 7.021
Revised Section 9.200 TSA Meeting Organizing Committee.
Addition of Section 9.222 Practice Management Committee.
Addition of Section 9.223 Regional Anesthesia and Pain Medicine Committee.
Revised Article 9 Committees - Section 9.3 Special Committees