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Three proposals for Bylaw changes were presented by the PURA 2020 Task Force. All proposals were unanimously approved by the Executive Board. The proposals will be published in PURA NEWS and discussed and acted upon at a subsequent monthly Association meeting following publication. The proposals and approved changes are:

PROPOSAL #1 Eliminate current Article VI, Section 6.1, Committees which read: The activities of the Association shall be implemented by its various committees.

(a) The Standing Committees shall be: Benefits, Campus and Community Activities, Communications, Endowment, Hospitality, Kick-Off Luncheon, Program, Retiree Seminar, and Trips and Tours. Standing Committee members shall be recruited by the Chairs of Standing Committees and confirmed by the Executive Board. The President of Purdue acknowledges their service.

(b) Standing Committee membership terms shall normally be of three (3) years duration and until their successors are duly appointed, but may be adjusted due to unique circumstances. Approximately one-third (1/3) of the committee members shall be chosen each year. A Standing Committee member may serve a second three-year term with a maximum uninterrupted term on the committee of six (6) consecutive years. After a minimum of one year off all Standing Committees, a former member of any committee may be reappointed to the same or different Standing Committee.

(c) The Nominating Committee shall recommend a slate of Standing Committee Chairs to the Executive Board for approval prior to the Association’s Annual Meeting in April.

(d) A Standing Committee chair may be appointed to the same or a different position for its specified term length with a maximum uninterrupted term on the Executive Board of six (6) consecutive years.

(e) The new chairs shall assume their responsibilities at the Annual Transition Meeting.

(f) The President of the Association shall inform the President of Purdue of the Standing Committee chairs and new committee members of the Association each year.

(g) The Executive Board may create and make appointments to other ad hoc or Standing Committees as it deems necessary and appropriate.
Replace ARTICLE VI Section 6.1 Committees with:
The activities of the Association shall be planned and implemented by its committees, currently Benefits, Campus and Community Activities, Communications, Endowment, Hospitality, Kickoff Luncheon, Program, Purpose Living in Retirement, Scholarship, and Trips and Tours.

(a) The Executive Board shall have the authority to create, restructure, and disband committees as circumstances dictate.

(b) The Nominating Committee shall recommend a slate of committee chairs to the Executive Board for approval prior to the Association’s Annual Transition Meeting.

(c) Committee members shall be recruited by their respective chairs and confirmed by the Executive Board.

(d) Committee chairs and members shall assume their responsibilities at PURA’s Annual Transition Meeting.

(e) The President of the Association shall inform the President of Purdue annually of the names of the members serving on the Executive Board and the Association’s committees.

PROPOSAL # 2: ARTICLE V Association Governance, Section 5.2a. Composition of the Executive Board was revised to remove the word “standing” when listing PURA committees. The revision reads: The Executive Board shall consist of the Officers of the Association and Chairs of the standing Committees.

ARTICLE V, Association Governance, Section 5.2b. Composition of the Executive Board was removed from the Bylaws. 5.2b had designated non-voting members of the Executive Board as ex officio members and any ad hoc committees of the Association.

PROPOSAL #3: Article IX, Amendments. Section 9.2, Procedure to Amend was revised to read: Any proposed amendments to these Bylaws will be published in PURA NEWS and will be discussed and acted upon at a subsequent monthly Association meeting following publication. Removes: Being acted upon two months after publication and Any proposed amendment published in the January or June issues will be acted upon at the Match and August meetings, respectively

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ARTICLE I General, Section 12 Business Year was changed to:
The business year of the Association shall begin on the first day of July and end on the last day of June next succeeding. The previous dates were May and June, respectively.