

Proposed Bylaws Changes

At the Fall 2010 business meeting, members will vote on the proposed changes to the bylaws noted below. Per the current OHSLA Bylaws, Article VIII – Amendment, these changes are being distributed to the membership at least one month prior to the next business meeting. Please come prepared to discuss and vote on these changes.

Words in red are additions or new wording. Words stricken through are current words proposed for deletion. Explanations for the changes are provided in italics.

-Stephanie Schulte, OHSLA Secretary

ARTICLE V – COMMITTEES AND APPOINTED POSITIONS

SECTION 1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee shall consist of the elected officers of OHSLA: President, Past President, President Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and Regional Advisory Council Representative. The non-elected, Ad Hoc and any Standing Committee Chairs as well as appointees **and representatives**, shall serve as non-voting members on the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee is responsible for the continuing business of OHSLA.

SECTION 2. STANDING COMMITTEES

PART C. NOMINATING AND ELECTIONS. The Nominating and Elections Committee shall consist of the Past President as Chair and at least two (2) members from differing geographical areas of the state when possible. The Nominating and Elections Committee ~~is responsible for all aspects of the nominations and elections process including presenting a panel of candidates, at least one for each vacancy.~~ **shall annually prepare a slate of at least one (1) nominee but preferably more for each elective office with expiring terms for which** ~~All~~ **nominees must be members of OHSLA at the time of nomination. Written or electronic ballots must shall be distributed to the membership at least thirty (30) days prior to the OHSLA's Spring meeting. Only ballots returned by the indicated deadline shall be counted. Candidates shall be declared elected upon receiving a majority of the votes cast. Ties in election results will be resolved by taking a second written vote at the OHSLA's Spring business meeting.** Election results shall be announced to the membership at the Spring meeting. ~~Ties in election results will be resolved by taking a second written vote at the Spring business meeting.~~

Explanation: These changes are proposed to provide clear, consistent wording among MLA, Midwest Chapter MLA and OHSLA.

SECTION 4. APPOINTED POSITIONS

PART C. EMAIL LISTSERV COORDINATOR(S). The Email Listserv Coordinator(s) shall be appointed by the President. This person or these persons shall maintain the list of subscribers to **the membership list, both the** ~~ohsla@uic.edu lists~~ **and the executive committee list, ohsla-executive@ohslanet.org.**

PART F. REPRESENTATIVES TO ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS. There shall be representatives appointed by the President to facilitate communication between OHSLA and allied organizations. Representatives shall serve terms as required by the sponsoring organization or as prescribed by the Executive Committee.

Explanation: Part C changes are proposed to provide clarity on lists maintained by OHSLA. Part F is proposed as an addition that will provide a flexible way in the bylaws for representatives to be appointed by the President to various allied organizations. A more specific amendment was proposed and defeated at the Fall 2009 business meeting.