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Articles relevant to the AABEA CEC ELECTION for 2019-2020 term

CONSTITUTION OF AABEA (Excerpts)

ARTICLE 6 ADMINISTRATION

Section 2: The CEC shall be composed of the following positions:

- i. President
- ii. President Elect
- iii. Secretary
- iv. Treasurer
- v. One Executive Member from Each Chapter.

ARTICLE 8: ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CEC

The CEC shall be elected by the general members of the Association for a term of two (2) years and shall rotate alphabetically amongst the Chapters having general members greater than thirty. The position of the President, Secretary and Treasurer shall invariably be from the same chapter. The term will begin on January 1 of first year and will end on December 31 of the following year. The election of the CEC shall be held according to the AABEA Bylaws. Any member of the CEC shall not compete for any position in the CEC for a consecutive third term. Nomination paper submitted to compete for a consecutive third term election by any CEC member shall be invalid.

BY-LAW 6: ELECTIONS

Section 1: The AABEA administrative year shall begin January 1. All elected and appointed officers shall begin their terms on that date and serve the prescribed term.

Section 2: The duration of service for the CEC/EC shall be two (2) years, from January 1 of one calendar year to December 31 of the following calendar year. The CEC/EC shall be elected once in every two years. The election of the CEC/EC shall take place between the period of October 1 and December 31 of the election year. In case of unforeseen situations, if elections are not held by December 31, the tenure of the CEC/EC shall extend by one month. For further extension Board's consent shall be required.

Section 3: The CEC/EC shall appoint an Election Commission by consisting of a Chief Election Commissioner and two Election Commissioners. The CEC/EC shall

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provide a fixed election schedule to the Election Commission. The Election Commission shall be responsible for conducting the election for the CEC/EC as per time schedule. For any re-scheduling the approval from CEC/EC shall be needed. The EC is not authorized to change any election schedule fixed in the General Council meeting by the general members. The Chief Election Commissioner and the two Election Commissioners shall not be members of the CEC/EC, members of the Board, and shall not have any conflict of interest with the election or the organization. In the event of inability of the Chief Election Commissioner, the two Election Commissioners shall jointly perform the duties of the Chief Election Commissioner.

Section 4: Only members and associate members of AABEA who have paid their dues for the current fiscal year on or before the cut-off date and life members/life associate member shall be eligible to vote in the election of the CEC/EC. The President of the local chapters shall transmit an updated copy of the voter list to the CEC and the Election Commission after the cut-off date has passed.

Section 5: The respective Election Commission shall send mail with nomination papers to general members of the Association asking for submission of nomination papers for various positions of the CEC and to general members of the local chapter asking for submission of nomination for various positions of the EC. Sufficient time, but not less than two weeks, shall be given to the prospective candidates for submitting the nomination papers. For withdrawal of the nomination papers a minimum of seven days time shall be given. The CEC/EC shall set the fee payable to AABEA for submitting nomination papers for various positions; the fee shall be non-refundable after withdrawal date.

Section 6: Only members/Life members of AABEA as defined by the Constitution and Bylaws shall have the right to contest. Each nomination shall be seconded by another member or Life member.

Section 7: The CEC/EC shall not nominate/endorse any candidate for any positions of the CEC/EC.

Section 8: The Election Commission shall verify the nomination papers. The Election Commission shall also prepare the ballot containing the names of all candidates in alphabetic order for each position. Using the ballot, the Election Commission shall conduct the CEC election through the mail and EC election through the mail. EC election shall be conducted in person if requested by fifty one percent membership or thirty general members whichever is less. The Election Commission, if requested, shall transmit a copy of the valid membership list to the candidate(s).

Section 9: The CEC election shall be participated by the entire AABEA general membership. The EC election shall be participated by the general members of the respective Local Chapter only.

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Section 10: No AABEA member shall submit nomination paper(s) with the intention to hold positions in two executive committees (Central and/or Local Chapters of AABEA) concurrently. Any person holding a position in an executive committee of another organization shall also abstain from submitting nomination papers for a position in the executive committee of AABEA if there is a potential conflict of interest between AABEA and the other organization; the Election Commission shall have the right to determine this conflict of interest and the validity of the nomination paper of the said candidate. The Election Commission may seek the advice of the CEC/EC to determine and resolve a potential conflict of interest and their decision shall be considered as final. Any member of the CEC/EC shall not be eligible to compete for any CEC/EC position for a consecutive third term.