



## Proposed Changes to ASBA Bylaws

<p><b>Proposal A</b>  <b>Article V - Officers and Board of Directors and Executive Committee</b>  <b>Section 9 – Vacancies and Removal from Office</b></p>	
<p>Submitted by ASBA Governance Committee</p>	
<p><b>Current</b></p> <p>Section 9. Vacancies and removal from office.  A vacancy in any office or on the Board of Directors occurring between annual membership meetings shall be filled by a vote of the Board of Directors. The person appointed by the Board of Directors shall hold that position for the remainder of the elected director’s term. Any officer or director who misses more than one meeting out of any four (4) consecutive meetings, unless he/she is excused <i>by</i> the Board for a valid reason, may have his/her office vacated by action of the board.</p>	<p><b>Proposed</b></p> <p>Section 9. Vacancies and removal from office.  A vacancy in any office or on the Board of Directors occurring between annual membership meetings shall be filled by a vote of the Board of Directors. The person appointed by the Board of Directors shall hold that position for the remainder of the elected director’s term. Any officer or director who misses more than one meeting <u>in a calendar year</u> <del>out of any four (4) consecutive meetings,</del> unless he/she is excused <del>by the Board for a valid reason,</del> may <u>will</u> have his/her office vacated by action of the board.</p>

*Proposal A Background: The ASBA Board of Directors holds four meetings per year, per bylaws. Directors sign an acknowledgement of requirements of service, including meeting attendance, prior to their election.*

<b>Proposal B</b> <b>Article VIII – Amendment of Bylaws and Core Beliefs</b>	
Submitted by ASBA Governance Committee	
<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
<p><i>Section 1.</i> These Bylaws or the Core Beliefs may be amended or repealed, or new ones adopted as follows:</p> <p>(a) By a vote of two-thirds of the member boards using an electronic vote of the membership using a procedure adopted by the Board of Directors.</p>	<p><i>Section 1.</i> These Bylaws or the Core Beliefs may be amended or repealed, or new ones adopted as follows:</p> <p>(a) <del>By a vote of two-thirds of the member boards</del> <u>When a quorum of 60 percent of the member boards vote and three-fourths of all votes are in the affirmative</u>, using an electronic vote of the membership using a procedure adopted by the Board of Directors.</p>

*Proposal B Background: Currently, a minimum of two-thirds (66 percent) of all ASBA members boards must vote in the affirmative to amend or repeal a bylaw.*

<b>Proposal C</b> <b>Article VIII – Amendment of Bylaws and Core Beliefs</b>	
Submitted by Maricopa USD Governing Board	
<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
<p><i>Section 1.</i> These Bylaws or the Core Beliefs may be amended or repealed, or new ones adopted as follows:</p> <p>(a) By a vote of two-thirds of the member boards using an electronic vote of the membership using a procedure adopted by the Board of Directors.</p>	<p><i>Section 1.</i> These Bylaws or the Core Beliefs may be amended or repealed, or new ones adopted as follows:</p> <p>(a) By a vote of two-thirds <u>by the participating of the member boards voting</u> using an electronic vote of the membership using a procedure adopted by the Board of Directors.</p>

*Proposal C Background: Currently, a minimum of two-thirds (66 percent) of all ASBA members boards must vote in the affirmative to amend or repeal a bylaw.*

<b>Proposal D</b>	
This is a technical change to all instances of this language in the ASBA Bylaws.	
Submitted by Tempe ESD Governing Board	
<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
Hispanic-Native American Indian Caucus	Hispanic-Native American Caucus

*Proposal D Background: Native American is the term preferred by members of the caucus.*

<b>Proposal E</b>	
<b>Article V – Officers and Board of Directors and Executive Committee</b>	
<b>Section 2 – Board of Directors</b>	
Submitted by Gila Bend USD Governing Board	
<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
<p><i>Section 2. Board of Directors</i>  The governing body of the Association shall be a Board of Directors consisting of the officers, one representative from each of the counties of the state, except Maricopa and Pima counties which are allotted two (2) representatives. County representatives shall serve for a period of two (2) years with no member serving more than three (3) consecutive two (2) year terms. However, at the first meeting of the Board of Directors after the adoption of the bylaws, county representatives shall determine by lot the one-half of their number who will serve for one (1) year and the one-half who will serve for two (2) years. Thereafter, members of the Board of Directors shall be elected by member boards of their counties at their annual County Workshop meetings. Ex-officio members of the Arizona School Boards Association Board of Directors shall be:</p>	<p><i>Section 2. Board of Directors</i>  The governing body of the Association shall be a Board of Directors consisting of the officers, one representative from each of the counties of the state, except Maricopa and Pima counties which are allotted two (2) representatives. County representatives shall serve for a period of two (2) years with no member serving more than three (3) consecutive two (2) year terms. However, at the first meeting of the Board of Directors after the adoption of the bylaws, county representatives shall determine by lot the one-half of their number who will serve for one (1) year and the one-half who will serve for two (2) years. Thereafter, members of the Board of Directors shall be elected by member boards of their counties at their annual County Workshop meetings. Ex-officio members of the Arizona School Boards Association Board of Directors shall be:</p>

<p>(a) Any person residing in Arizona who is either an officer or director of the National School Boards Association during his/her term of office in the national body, and</p> <p>(b) Any member of an ASBA active member Governing Board serving as President of the Arizona Hispanic Native American Indian Caucus and Black Caucus during his/her term of office in the Caucus.</p>	<p>(a) Any person residing in Arizona who is either an officer or director of the National School Boards Association during his/her term of office in the national body, and</p> <p>(b) Any member of an ASBA active member Governing Board serving as President <u>and Past President</u> of the Arizona Hispanic Native American Indian Caucus and <u>the President of</u> the Black Caucus during his/her term of office in the Caucus.</p>
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*Proposal E Background: Currently the HNAIC has a single ex officio voting seat on the ASBA Board of Directors, which is held by the caucus's sitting president. The caucus presidency (a two-year term) alternates between a Hispanic and a Native American, per HNAIC bylaws, which provides alternating representation on the ASBA Board of Directors.*

<p><b>Proposal F</b>  <b>Article VI – Meetings and Voting</b>  <b>Section 3 – Annual Delegate Assembly</b></p>	
<p>Submitted by Concho ESD Governing Board</p>	
<p><b>Current</b></p>	<p><b>Proposed</b></p>
	<p><u>(h) No action by any delegate or presiding authority shall stifle and/or terminate debate or discussion at the Delegate Assembly.</u></p>

*Proposal F Background: Rules of Procedure for the Delegate Assembly are adopted by delegates at the assembly and currently allow delegates to “Call for the Question” to end debate or discussion. The motion requires a two-thirds vote of delegates to pass. Procedural rules for the Delegate Assembly currently are not in ASBA’s bylaws.*

**Proposal G**  
**Article VII – Committees & Caucuses**  
**Section 2 – Caucuses**

Submitted by Concho ESD Governing Board

<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
<p><i>Section 2. Caucuses</i>  Caucuses shall exist to enhance the work of the association by addressing the unique needs of member districts. Caucuses of ASBA are considered to be affiliated with ASBA as a program provider with responsibility for the caucuses. Each caucus is expected to adopt its own bylaws for operating, programming and governing within the context of the relationship with ASBA described herein.</p> <p>With the adoption of this section, the Black Caucus of ASBA and the Hispanic/Native American Indian Caucus of ASBA are hereby established.</p> <p>Caucuses shall be added or eliminated to this provision through the amendment process described in article VIII of this document.</p>	<p><i>Section 2. Caucuses</i>  Caucuses shall exist to enhance the work of the association by addressing the unique needs of member districts. Caucuses of ASBA are considered to be affiliated with ASBA as a program provider with responsibility for the caucuses. Each caucus is expected to adopt its own bylaws for operating, programming and governing within the context of the relationship with ASBA described herein.</p> <p>With the adoption of this section, the Black Caucus of ASBA and the Hispanic/Native American Indian Caucus of ASBA <u>and the Conservative Caucus of ASBA</u> are hereby established.</p> <p>Caucuses shall be added or eliminated to this provision through the amendment process described in article VIII of this document.</p>

*Background: Per the ASBA Bylaws (Article VII, Section 2. Caucuses), “ASBA caucuses shall exist to enhance the work of the association by addressing the unique needs of member districts. Caucuses are considered to be affiliated with ASBA as a program provider with responsibility for the caucuses. Each caucus is expected to adopt its own bylaws for operating, programming and governing within the context of the relationship with ASBA described herein.”*

<b>Proposal H</b> <b>Article VI – Meetings and Voting</b> <b>Section 3 – Annual Delegate Assembly</b>	
Submitted by Littleton ESD Governing Board	
<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
	<u>(h) The legislative committee shall hold a basic delegate assembly workshop in advance of the delegate assembly in order to orient new or existing members in establishing the political agenda, moving items to the floor for action, and explaining the process.</u>

*Background: Operational matters related to the Delegate Assembly are currently not included in the ASBA Bylaws.*