



Rationale:

The AIA New York Board of directors is recommending the below amendments to the bylaws to reflect the co-chair structure that has been the practice of the Chapter Program Committee governance and to encourage leadership development, transition and new member engagement in Committees through a clear rotation process.

7.8 APPOINTIVE COMMITTEES

7.81 Members. Every committee will have up to two co-chairs. The co-chair(s) of every appointive committee shall be appointed through a vote of approval by the Board of Directors; co-chair(s) must be AIA New York members. Membership is open to all interested parties.

7.82 Term. The terms of office of the co-chair(s), shall be two years. There shall be a restriction of three (3) terms on reappointment of the co-chair(s). After three (3) terms, co-chairs are eligible for reappointment after a two-year hiatus.

7.83 Co-Chairs. The co-chairs of each appointive committee shall: direct and coordinate the activities of that committee with the participation of its membership; establish budgets for committee activities as required by and subject to the approval of the Board of Directors; conduct meetings of the committee; act as liaison for the committee to the Board of Directors and other committees; and perform such other duties as are properly assigned by the President or Board of Directors. No official policy position can be taken by co-chairs without the approval of the Board of Directors or members of the Board delegated by the Board.

7.84 Succession. Procedures for co-chair succession are outlined in the Rules of the Board with the final candidate approval determined through a vote of the Board of Directors.

7.85 Sub-committees. An appointive committee may assign sub-committees to carry out specific activities or programs.

7.86 Removal of co-chair. The co-chair(s) of an appointive committee may be removed from office by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Bylaws Amendment proposed to the 2019 Annual Meeting of AIA New York

Markup version showing all changes relative to existing bylaws as of June 2018

Note on formatting: Inserted text is **highlighted**; deleted text is in **red** with **strikethrough**

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7.81 Members. **Every Committee will have up to two co-chairs.** The **co-chairs** ~~and vice-chair~~ of every appointive committee shall be appointed through a vote of ~~by the President and approved~~ by the Board of Directors; **co-chairs must be AIA New York members.** ~~Members of every appointive committee shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors, or, at the discretion of the President and with the consent of the Board of Directors, be appointed by the chair of each such committee.~~ **Membership is open to all interested parties.**

7.82 Term. The terms of office of the **co-chairs**, ~~vice chair, and of members of appointive committees~~, shall be ~~one two~~ years. There shall be ~~no~~ a restrictions, **however, of three (3) terms** on reappointment of the **co-chairs**, ~~vice chair or any member of an appointive committee~~. After three (3) terms, co-chairs are eligible for reappointment after a two-year hiatus.

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~~7.84 Vice-Chair. The vice chair of each committee shall: assist the chair in directing and coordinating the activities of that committee; perform the duties of the chair in the event of the absence of the chair; and perform such other duties as are properly assigned by the chair or the Board of Directors.~~

7.841 Succession. ~~The vice chair, subject to the approval of the President and Board of Directors, shall succeed to the office of chair upon the expiration of the term of the chair.~~ **Procedures for co-chair succession are outlined in the Rules of the Board with the final candidate approval determined through a vote of the Board of Directors.**

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