

Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of PPS

The Executive Committee (EC) of PPS under ARTICLE IX (3) and on the recommendation of the Constitution & Bylaw Committee (comprising Dr. Nasir Rana, Dr. Aziz Arain and Dr. Murtaza Arain as Chair) proposes amendments to ARTICLES IV (1) and ARTICLE V (2) of the constitution and Chapter 5 (1) of the bylaws of PPS. For your convenience the full text of the current constitution is available at the society's website at www.ppsil.org.

The intent of these amendments is to expand the membership to Physicians of Pakistani-descent from Non-Pakistani medical schools and to expand the executive committee for greater participation by its members. The amendments also address the criteria of suspension of membership. The language of the amendments is borrowed from similar clauses in the constitution of APPNA in an effort to conform the local chapter to the parent association. We look forward to your approval of these amendments at the annual general body meeting on November 10, 2007. If you are unable to attend please vote e via mail at P.O. Box 4584, Oak Brook, IL 60522-4584. Please identify yourself with your name and signature on top of this document and state approval or disapproval. Any additional comments can be written on the back of this page.

ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP AND PRIVILEGES

(Existing)

~~1. Any graduate of Pakistani medical or dental school shall be eligible after paying the annual dues for active membership in the Society.~~

Proposed amendment to ARTICLE IV (1) requires replacement of the existing section with the following:

Active membership in PPS shall be open to anyone who has graduated from a recognized medical, osteopathic or dental school in Pakistan or anyone of Pakistani descent who has graduated from a recognized medical, dental, or osteopathic school anywhere in the world. To be eligible for active membership in the society, a physician must hold an un-revoked license in North America and/or be involved in Academics, Medical Research, or management in any field of Health care in North America, and comply with all provisions of the Bylaws of this society.

ARTICLE V – ~~TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP~~

(Existing)

~~2. Expulsion. The Board of Trustees shall have a power to expel a member in any category for gross misconduct after the member has been given a due process. The member will given a notice in writing of the charges referred against him or her and will have the privilege of a hearing before the Board of Trustees. An affirmative vote by a majority of Board of Trustees will be necessary for such expulsion. The decision of the Board of Trustees shall be final. Upon such expulsion, all rights and privileges of the member shall be forfeited and terminated.~~

Proposed amendment to ARTICLE V (2) requires replacement of the existing title of Article V and its subsection 2 with the following:

ARTICLE V – TERMINATION/ SUSPENSION OF MEMBERSHIP

2. Suspension: Membership in the society will be suspended for a criminal conviction by a court of law or a disciplinary action by a board of Medical Examiner resulting in revocation of medical licensure. Suspended membership may be reinstated by the Board of Trustees at the recommendation of the Executive Committee on dismissal of charges and/or the disciplinary action.

CHAPTER 5 – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Composition. The Executive Committee shall be composed of officers of the Society and ~~five (5)~~ members-at-large.
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1. Composition. The Executive Committee shall be composed of officers of the Society and **Seven (7)** members-at-large.