

ELECTIONS AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE-2019-PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGES

Submissions for proposed bylaws changes should be sent to the Chair in writing with ample time to review and place on the agenda - one week or more.

CURRENT LANGUAGE:

Article VIII MEETINGS

Section 2: Agenda

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PROPOSED LANGUAGE:

Article VIII MEETINGS

Section 2: Agenda

Board Meeting Agendas. An item shall be placed on the agenda by the Chair for the next meeting of the Board, upon the **timely** request of a Director **or a Committee**. **All requests submitted at least 120 hours (5 days) prior to the scheduled start of the meeting shall be deemed timely. Acceptance of late submittals is at the discretion of the chair; those not accepted shall be included on the agenda of the next meeting.**

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RATIONALE:

Currently, the bylaws defines clear rules for submittal of stakeholder petitions but is vague on rules for Director and Committee motions, thus giving the chair a lot of leeway in excluding the motions. This change corrects that.