December 12, 2021

To: AWSA Board of Directors

From: Jeff Clark, Chair AWSA Bylaws Committee

Re: 2022 Winter Report, AWSA Bylaws Committee

The committee members Jeffry Hardin E, Lisa Holland SCR, Bill Murbach MW, Ryan Nason W, Brian Detrick AAC, Karen Truelove AAC, and I would like to express our appreciation for allowing us to serve the organization.

ACTION ITEM # 1: Housekeeping Issue To Change Categories Of Committees.
AWSA Bylaws and P & P Manual revisions that will be necessary. We recommend that categories of Committees be revised as follows; “Standing” committees to read “Designated” committees to conform to the new USOPC standard to formalize the language to avoid any misunderstandings in the newly proposed AWSA Bylaws Rev 11 and the AWSA Policies and Procedures Manual Rev 14.

Action Item # 2: Revisions to AWSA East Bylaws.
1. CURRENT VERSION: Article V, section 3 states: "The States of Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, and Virginia shall each have two (2) Council Members and [the] balance of States shall have one (1)."

AMENDED VERSION: "States shall be entitled to Council representation as determined by the Eastern Region Policies & Procedures Manual."

2. CURRENT VERSION: Bylaws Article XI, sec. C (regarding the holding of email meetings/voting) states: "EVP at his/her discretion may call a special meeting as outlined in the Eastern Region Policies & Procedures Manual section **2.2.3** . . . ."

AMENDED VERSION: "EVP at his/her discretion may call a special meeting as outlined in the Eastern Region Policies & Procedures Manual section **2.2.2**."

3. CURRENT VERSION: Bylaws Art. XIII sec.1 (amending bylaws) states in pertinent part: "These bylaws may be amended . . . by a 2/3 vote of the AWSA Eastern Regional Council at the AWSA Eastern Region Mid-Winter meeting or the Annual AWSA Eastern Region Meeting, per the standards set forth in the AWSA Bylaws Article **XVI**".

AMENDED VERSION: "These bylaws may be amended . . . by a 2/3 vote of the AWSA Eastern Regional Council at the AWSA Eastern Region Mid-Winter meeting or the Annual AWSA Eastern Region Meeting, per the standards set forth in the AWSA Bylaws Article **XV**."

Action Item # 3: Revisions to AWSA South Bylaws and Policies and Procedures Manual

AWSA Southern Region Bylaws Revisions

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP
Section 1
Membership in AWSA SR shall be open to any individual member of AWSA and USA-WSWS, without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, age, or sex: who is a bonafide member residing within the Region, as now or hereafter defined by AWSA and USA-WSWS shall be considered a member in this Sport Discipline. The privileges of this membership will be exercised in the region of the individuals' residence as determined by AWSA and USA-WSWS membership files. Subject only to payment of dues as the USA-WSWS, AWSA and AWSA SR may prescribe from time to time.

Revise to read:
ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP
Section 1
Membership in AWSA SR shall be open to any individual member of AWSA and USA-WSWS, without discrimination on the basis of ~~race, color, religion, age, or sex~~ gender, race, color, religion, national origin, age, or sex: who is a bonafide member residing within the Region, as now or hereafter defined by AWSA and USA-WSWS shall be considered a member in this Sport Discipline. The privileges of this membership will be exercised in the region of the individuals' residence as determined by AWSA and USA-WSWS membership files. Subject only to payment of dues as the USA-WSWS, AWSA and AWSA SR may prescribe from time to time.

ARTICLE XIV CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND GIFTS
Section 1
The AWSA SR shall subscribe to the AWSA written Code of Conduct and Ethical Practices which includes the requirement that each Officer, member of the Council, and each committee representative, annually agree in writing to abide by such code.

Revise to read:
The AWSA SR shall subscribe to the AWSA/USA-WSWS written Code of Conduct and ~~Ethical Practices~~ Ethics, Conflict of Interest and Gifts policies which includes the requirement that each ~~Officer, member of the Council~~ National Director, and each National committee ~~representative~~ member, annually agree in writing to abide by such code. The link to the official form will be sent individually to each individual that is required to complete the form each year per the posted Southern Region Directors and National Committee members submitted each year to AWSA/USA-WSWS.

AWSA SR P & P Manual Revisions
7.0 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS
7.1 The EVP must recommend Southern Region members to serve on all AWSA Standing National Committees, except the Executive Committee.

7.1 The EVP shall recommend Southern Region members to serve on all AWSA Designated and Special National Committees, except the Executive Committee.

Thank you for allowing us to serve.

ATTACHMENTS TO THIS REPORT:

1. AWSA Bylaws Rev 11 Proposed Final
2. AWSA Policies & Procedures Manual Rev 14 Proposed Final