Section to be Changed: Section 15 Committees

Section 15. Any committee appointed shall act only in an advisory capacity. They shall have the right to request and examine records and information in possession of the association, the officers, or the Board of Governors necessary to discharge the duties imposed on them; but in no case shall any committee have the power or right to make contracts or assume obligations for the association, unless specifically authorized by the association. Any committee member whose performance is deemed unsatisfactory by the Board of Governors is subject to dismissal by said Board.

Section 15-A. All committees are to elect a chairperson who shall conduct meetings and make a report in writing and submit a copy to the association secretary to be included with the minutes of the annual meeting. Said chairpersons must report to the Board of Governors at reasonable intervals as to the progress of their committee. They are also invited to attend all meetings of the Board.

Section to be Replaced: PROPOSED CHANGES - Committees

Section 15-B below will be added to the Committees Section

Section 15-B There may be a need for an ad-hoc committee for a brief period of time to research or work on a specific item for the association. This ad-hoc committee may be suggested by the president or the members of the Association. A discussion regarding the creation will take place between the members of the Board of Governors. If the ad-hoc committee is deemed necessary, it will be created by a motion and majority vote of the Board of Governors. Nominations for such a committee may be made by the president or members of the Association, however, the president will be responsible for appointing all personnel of that committee who will serve until that committee is no longer needed and terminated by a vote of the board.

Reason for the Replacement:

This section is being added to allow for the president and members of the association suggest and to create an ad hoc committee and provide for nomination and appointment of members of the committee to address specific issues that may occur in the future that will affect the Association.

Arguments against the potential replacement:

Members in the past have argued that this change removes power from the members to nominate committee members and gives it all to the president. It does not remove the power of association members to nominate someone for a committee position.

Arguments for the potential replacement: This amendment provides for the creation of a committee that is not specified under our current bylaws to research or address an issue that impacts the Association. This is no different than the way that the House of Representatives and our government acts to either investigate or bring potential suggestions on a resolution that affects the country to a close. It allows for the creation of a committee that could be made-up of people who may have specific knowledge on a given subject from members within the association that could be beneficial in the investigation and/or proposal of resolutions to a specific problem that faces the Association and by default the members of the association as well.

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