

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS OF
THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS**

AMENDMENT #1: UNIT MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION. Amend Article IV, Divisions, Section 5, Units, Subsection D, Bylaws of a Unit, Paragraph 3. By substituting a new Paragraph 3 to read:

3. A unit shall accept as a member any NAP member who applies for membership and pays the unit dues, if any, except that units made up of credentialed members may require that new members be credentialed. A unit may require an applicant to provide:
- a) the membership category (primary or affiliate) for which the applicant is applying;
 - b) the applicant’s NAP membership number and primary association;
 - c) the applicant's NAP credential, if any;
 - d) if applying for affiliate membership, the applicant’s primary unit; and
 - e) contact information sufficient to enable the unit to provide the member with any required notices.

Current Language	Proposed Amendment	If Amended Will Read
<p>3. A unit shall accept as a member any NAP member who pays the unit dues except that units made up of credentialed members may require that new members be credentialed.</p>	<p>3. A unit shall accept as a member any NAP member who pays the unit dues except that units made up of credentialed members may require that new members be credentialed.</p> <p><u>3. A unit shall accept as a member any NAP member who applies for membership and pays the unit dues, if any, except that units made up of credentialed members may require that new members be credentialed. A unit may require an applicant to provide:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>a) the membership category (primary or affiliate) for which the applicant is applying;</u> <u>b) the applicant’s NAP membership number and primary association;</u> <u>c) the applicant’s NAP credential, if any;</u> <u>d) if applying for affiliate membership, the applicant’s primary unit; and</u> 	<p>3. A unit shall accept as a member any NAP member who applies for membership and pays the unit dues, if any, except that units made up of credentialed members may require that new members be credentialed. A unit may require an applicant to provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the membership category (primary or affiliate) for which the applicant is applying; b) the applicant’s NAP membership number and primary association; c) the applicant’s NAP credential, if any; d) if applying for affiliate membership, the applicant’s primary unit; and e) contact information sufficient to enable the unit to provide the member with any required notices.

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	<u>e) contact information sufficient to enable the unit to provide the member with any required notices.</u>	
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PROPOSED BY: New Mexico State Association of Parliamentarians Board of Directors; Washington State Association of Parliamentarians Board of Directors; Electronic Association of Parliamentarians Board of Directors; Texas State Association of Parliamentarians Board of Directors; Land of Enchantment Electronic Unit (New Mexico); eNAP Unit (Electronic); Albuquerque Parliamentarian Unit (New Mexico); Point of Order Parliamentary Law Unit (Washington); Brazos Valley Parliamentarian Unit (Texas)

RATIONALE: The current provision assumes that all units charge dues. However, NAP Headquarters has confirmed that there are several units that do not charge dues. There also is currently no provision specifically allowing a unit to require a potential member to provide information sufficient to allow verification of NAP membership or to allow the unit to contact the member. The proposed amendment remedies both issues.

NAP Bylaws Committee: No Recommendation

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AMENDMENT #2: ASSOCIATION AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION. Amend Article IV, Divisions, Section 3, Associations, Subsection D, Association Member by adding, “and either chooses the association as the member’s primary association or applies for affiliate membership in the association. For affiliate membership, an association may require the applicant to provide:

1. the applicant’s NAP membership number; 2. the applicant’s NAP credential, if any; 3. the applicant’s primary association; and 4. contact information sufficient to enable the association to provide the member with any required notices.”

Current Language	Proposed Amendment	If Amended Will Read
<p>D. Association Members. Associations shall accept as a member any NAP member who pays the association dues.</p>	<p>D. Association Members. Associations shall accept as a member any NAP member who pays the association dues <u>and either chooses the association as the member’s primary association or applies for affiliate membership in the association. For affiliate membership, an association may require the applicant to provide:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>1. the applicant’s NAP membership number;</u> <u>2. the applicant’s NAP credential, if any;</u> <u>3. the applicant’s primary association; and</u> <u>4. contact information sufficient to enable the association to provide the member with any required notices.</u> 	<p>D. Association Members. Associations shall accept as a member any NAP member who pays the association dues and either chooses the association as the member’s primary association or applies for affiliate membership in the association. For affiliate membership, an association may require the applicant to provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the applicant’s NAP membership number; 2. the applicant’s NAP credential, if any; 3. the applicant’s primary association; and 4. contact information sufficient to enable the association to provide the member with any required notices.

PROPOSED BY: New Mexico State Association of Parliamentarians Board of Directors; Washington State Association of Parliamentarians Board of Directors; Electronic Association of Parliamentarians Board of Directors; Texas State Association of Parliamentarians Board of Directors; Land of Enchantment Electronic Unit (New Mexico); eNAP Unit (Electronic); Albuquerque Parliamentarian Unit (New Mexico); Point of Order Parliamentary Law Unit (Washington); Brazos Valley Parliamentarian Unit (Texas)

RATIONALE: The current language appears to prohibit an association from requiring an affiliate member to provide any information that would allow the association to verify the applicant’s NAP membership status or contact information. The proposed amendment would rectify that situation. Since primary membership is determined by the association listed on the member’s application for NAP membership (or request to change the member’s primary association), and the association receives the appropriate information from NAP, there is no need for the association to require an application for primary members.

NAP Bylaws Committee: No Recommendation

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AMENDMENT #3: Amend Article V, Officers, Section 7, Vacancy in Office, Subsection B, by adding, “at a special board meeting called for that purpose, or a regular board meeting, to be held at least fourteen days after the vacancy is announced to the membership.”

Current Language	Proposed Amendment	If Amended Will Read
<p>B. A vacancy in any office other than president created by death, resignation, or incapacity as determined by the NAP Board of Directors shall be filled by the NAP Board of Directors.</p>	<p>B. A vacancy in any office other than president created by death, resignation, or incapacity as determined by the NAP Board of Directors shall be filled by the NAP Board of Directors <u>at a special board meeting called for that purpose, or a regular board meeting, to be held at least fourteen days after the vacancy is announced to the membership.</u></p>	<p>B. A vacancy in any office other than president created by death, resignation, or incapacity as determined by the NAP Board of Directors shall be filled by the NAP Board of Directors at a special board meeting called for that purpose, or a regular board meeting, to be held at least fourteen days after the vacancy is announced to the membership.</p>

PROPOSED BY: Rose City Unit (Oregon); Point of Order Parliamentary Law Unit; (Washington) Evergreen Research Parliamentary Law Unit (Washington); Brazos Valley Parliamentarian Unit (Texas); Albuquerque Parliamentarian Unit (New Mexico); New Mexico State Association of Parliamentarians Board of Directors; Texas State Association of Parliamentarians Board of Directors.

RATIONALE: The current bylaws do not provide any guidance on how the board should proceed to fill a vacancy in an office other than president, including determining what NAP members are eligible to serve in the office. The proposed amendment would ensure that the board first determines who is eligible before filling the vacancy. There may well be eligible members other than those who first come to mind, and who may be as well, or better, qualified as some of those the board might otherwise consider.

NAP Bylaws Committee: Recommends Against Adoption

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AMENDMENT #4: Amend Article VII, NAP Board of Directors, Section 2. B. 11. by adding “The hotel site should contain nearby food services, cost-effective audio-visual services, sleeping rooms, workshop and meeting rooms suitable for the NAP event. Transportation should be easily accessible to and from the nearest airport.”

CURRENT WORDING Section 2.C.1.	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
Article VII. Section 2. B. 11. determine the place, date, time, and registration fee for the biennial convention, the NAP Training Conference, membership meetings, and the Leadership Conference	Article VII. Section 2. B. 11. determine the place, date, time, and registration fee for the biennial convention, the NAP Training Conference, membership meetings, and the Leadership Conference. <u>The hotel site shall contain nearby food services, cost-effective audio-visual services, sleeping rooms, workshop and meeting rooms suitable for the NAP event. Transportation should be easily accessible to and from the nearest airport.</u>	Article VII. Section 2. B. 11. determine the place, date, time, and registration fee for the biennial convention, the NAP Training Conference, membership meetings, and the Leadership Conference. The hotel site should contain nearby food services, cost-effective audio-visual services, sleeping rooms, workshop and meeting rooms suitable for the NAP event. Transportation should be easily accessible to and from the nearest airport.

PROPOSED BY:

Alamo Registered Unit, East Texas Parliamentarians Unit, and San Antonio Unit

The Board of Directors of Tar Heel Electronic Unit, Louisiana Association of Parliamentarians, North Carolina Association of Parliamentarians and Texas State Association of Parliamentarians

RATIONALE: The Biennial Convention site and the NAP Training Conference site must be in a location that allows members to easily access food outside of the event hotel, provide reasonable rooms for sleeping, meetings, workshop, and provide economical audio-visual services for the meetings and workshops. The meeting site should be easily accessible and economical to/from the airport.

NAP Bylaws Committee: Recommends Against Adoption

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AMENDMENT #5: Officers. Amend Article V, Officers, Section 8,A.10 by striking out ‘shall appoint an NAP member to serve as a legal liaison without compensation.’

Current Language	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted Would Read
Article V Officers ... shall appoint an NAP member to serve as a legal liaison without compensation.	Article V Officers ... shall appoint an NAP member to serve as a legal liaison without compensation.	None

PROPOSED BY: National Association of Parliamentarians Board of Directors

RATIONALE: The role of "legal liaison" can be considered conflicting, given that the bylaws include provisions for a "legal counsel." Defining both roles separately invites unnecessary word- splitting and potential ambiguity. Consolidating these roles under "legal counsel" will streamline responsibilities, ensuring clear interpretation and reducing the risk of overlap or misinterpretation. This change simplifies governance and aligns with best practices in clarity and efficiency. Lastly, there could be a conflict if the legal issue relates to the specific NAP member, and there is no requirement for the legal liaison to be a lawyer or have any legal training at all.

NAP Bylaws Committee: No Recommendation

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AMENDMENT #6: NAP Board of Directors. Amend Article VII, NAP Board of Directors, Section 2B18 by inserting ‘must be a practicing lawyer who is appointed by the Board of Directors to serve as a consultant on matters with potential legal implications—such as contract reviews, conflict of interest statements, and intellectual property issues. This role may support the Board on NAP-related legal matters and advise on potential lawsuits and works with counsel provided by insurance company.

- 1) All travel expenses for the legal counsel is funded by the organization requiring Board approval at least 30 days before the travel date.
- 2) The Board must approve the sharing of privileged and confidential information with the Legal counsel, ensuring that confidentiality is maintained in line with organizational policies.

CURRENT LANGUAGE	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
<p>Article V Officers Section 2B18. select legal counsel;</p>	<p>Article V Officers Section 2B18. select legal counsel; <u>must be a practicing lawyer who is appointed by the Board of Directors to serve as a consultant on matters with potential legal implications—such as contract reviews, conflict of interest statements, and intellectual property issues. This role may support the Board on NAP-related legal matters and advise on potential lawsuits and works with counsel provided by insurance company.</u></p> <p><u>1. All travel expenses for the legal counsel is funded by the organization requiring Board approval at least 30 days before the travel date.</u></p> <p><u>2. The Board must approve the sharing of privileged and confidential information with the Legal counsel, ensuring that confidentiality is maintained in line with organizational policies.</u></p>	<p>Article V Officers Section 2B18. select legal counsel; must be a practicing lawyer who is appointed by the Board of Directors to serve as a consultant on matters with potential legal implications—such as contract reviews, conflict of interest statements, and intellectual property issues. This role may support the Board on NAP- related legal matters and advise on potential lawsuits and works with counsel provided by insurance company.</p> <p>1. All travel expenses for the legal counsel is funded by the organization requiring Board approval at least 30 days before the travel date.</p> <p>2. The Board must approve the sharing of privileged and confidential information with the Legal counsel, ensuring that confidentiality is maintained in line with organizational policies.</p>

PROPOSED BY: National Association of Parliamentarians Board of Directors

RATIONALE: The role of "legal liaison" can be considered conflicting, given that the bylaws include provisions for a "legal counsel." Defining both roles separately invites unnecessary word- splitting and potential ambiguity. Consolidating these roles under "legal counsel" will streamline responsibilities, ensuring clear interpretation and reducing the risk of overlap or misinterpretation. This change simplifies governance and aligns with best practices in clarity and efficiency.

NAP Bylaws Committee: Recommends Against Adoption

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AMENDMENT #7: REFORM OF THE COMPLEMENT OF NAP OFFICERS

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To amend ARTICLE V OFFICERS, Section 1, by: striking out "elected" before "officers"; striking out "three directors-at-large" before "and"; striking out "two" and inserting "eight" before "district directors"; inserting "and" before "a treasurer"; inserting "each elected at the convention" after "a treasurer"; and adding ", elected at their respective district conferences."		
CURRENT ARTICLE V OFFICERS, SECTION 1.	PROPOSED ARTICLE V OFFICERS, SECTION 1.	IF ADOPTED, ARTICLE V OFFICERS, SECTION 1., WOULD READ
Section 1. Officers. The elected officers of NAP shall be a president, a vice-president, a secretary, a treasurer, three directors-at-large, and two district directors.	Section 1. Officers. The elected officers of NAP shall be a president, a vice-president, a secretary, <u>and</u> a treasurer, <u>each elected at the convention three directors-at-large</u> , and two <u>eight</u> district directors, <u>elected at their respective district conferences</u> .	Section 1. Officers. The officers of NAP shall be a president, a vice-president, a secretary, and a treasurer, each elected at the convention, and eight district directors, elected at their respective district conferences.
CONFORMING AMENDMENTS		
1. To amend ARTICLE V OFFICERS, Section 6, by: in the first sentence, striking out “Officers” and inserting “The president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer” before “shall”; in the first sentence, inserting “, and the district directors shall assume office at the close of the convention immediately following election at their district conferences” after “elected”; and, in the second sentence, striking out “directors-at-large” and inserting “district directors" before “shall not”.		
CURRENT ARTICLE V OFFICERS, SECTION 6.	PROPOSED ARTICLE V OFFICERS, SECTION 6.	IF ADOPTED, ARTICLE V OFFICERS, SECTION 6., WOULD READ
Section 6. Term of Office. Officers shall assume office at the close of the convention at which they are elected. Officers shall serve until the close of the next convention or until their successors assume office. The president and vice-president shall serve only one term in the same office. The secretary, treasurer, and directors-at-large shall not serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office	Section 6. Term of Office. Officers <u>The president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer</u> shall assume office at the close of the convention at which they are elected, <u>and the district directors shall assume office at the close of the convention immediately following election at their district conferences</u> . Officers shall serve until the close of the next convention or until their successors assume office. The president and	Section 6. Term of Office. The president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer shall assume office at the close of the convention at which they are elected, and the district directors shall assume office at the close of the convention immediately following election at their district conferences. Officers shall serve until the close of the next convention or until their successors assume office. The president and

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and may serve again after being out of office for at least one term.	vice-president shall serve only one term in the same office. The secretary, treasurer, and directors-at-large district directors shall not serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office and may serve again after being out of office for at least one term.	vice-president shall serve only one term in the same office. The secretary, treasurer, and district directors shall not serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office and may serve again after being out of office for at least one term.
2. To amend ARTICLE V OFFICERS, Section 8 E, by: in the title, striking out “Directors-at-Large” and inserting “District Directors” after “Duties of the”; and striking out “directors-at-large” and inserting “district directors” before “may be assigned”.		
CURRENT ARTICLE V OFFICERS, SECTION 8. DUTIES OF OFFICE E.	PROPOSED ARTICLE V OFFICERS, SECTION 8. DUTIES OF OFFICE E.	IF ADOPTED, ARTICLE V OFFICERS, SECTION 8. DUTIES OF OFFICE E. WOULD READ
E. Duties of the Directors-at-Large. The directors-at-large may be assigned duties by the president or by the NAP Board of Directors.	E. Duties of the Directors-at-Large District Directors . The directors-at-large district directors may be assigned duties by the president or by the NAP Board of Directors.	E. Duties of the District Directors. The district directors may be assigned duties by the president or by the NAP Board of Directors.
3. To amend ARTICLE VII NAP BOARD OF DIRECTORS, Section 1, by striking out “president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, three director-at-large, and two district directors elected by the delegates at the convention from among the eight district directors for the incoming biennium” and inserting “officers of NAP” after "shall be the".		
CURRENT ARTICLE VII NAP BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SECTION 1.	PROPOSED ARTICLE VII NAP BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SECTION 1.	IF ADOPTED, ARTICLE VII NAP BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SECTION 1., WOULD READ
Section 1. Composition. The members of the NAP Board of Directors shall be the president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, three directors-at-large, and two district directors elected by the delegates at the convention from among the eight district directors for the incoming biennium.	Section 1. Composition. The members of the NAP Board of Directors shall be the president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, three directors-at-large, and two district directors elected by the delegates at the convention from among the eight district directors for the incoming biennium <u>officers of NAP.</u>	Section 1. Composition. The members of the NAP Board of Directors shall be the officers of NAP.

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RATIONALE: The amendment and conforming amendments would reform the complement of NAP officers and the composition of the NAP Board of Directors to include all of the district directors, ensuring that our association's leadership is drawn from all NAP districts every biennium. With the advent of most board meetings occurring virtually at very low costs, modestly expanding the number of officers and board members to achieve improved representation of our members is now fiscally feasible.

AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY NAP BYLAWS COMMITTEE

To amend ARTICLE V, OFFICERS, Section 1. The Bylaws Committee recommends that the words "North American" be inserted after 'their' and before 'respective'

Rationale: This amendment would conform with the current language in the bylaws; if not amended, the board currently has the power to create new districts in the future, creating confusion and conflicts in the governing documents as to which district directors shall serve on the board if those changes occur.

NAP Bylaws Committee: Recommends Adoption with Amendment

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AMENDMENT #8: RESTORATION OF DUTIES OF THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AND REGISTRATION EXAMINERS COMMITTEE

Text proposed to be added or inserted is indicated with underline (); text proposed to be struck out is indicated with strikethrough (---).

To delete Article XI Commission on Credentialing.		
CURRENT ARTICLE XI Commission on Credentialing	LANGUAGE AS AMENDED	IF ADOPTED WOULD READ
<p>Section 1. Composition. There shall be six members of the Commission on Credentialing. At least five members must be credentialed (PRP®/RP®) and one may be a regular member. Members of the board of directors are not eligible to serve on this commission. Members of the commission cannot teach courses leading to initial credentialing at any level.</p> <p>Section 2. Authority. The commission shall have full authority to administer the credentialing program of NAP and may appoint committees to carry out its duties.</p> <p>Section 3. Nominations. Nominations may be made from the floor. No person's name may be placed on the ballot until the nominee has signed a form affirming qualification for the commission and an agreement to serve if elected, using a form adopted by the NAP Board of Directors.</p> <p>Section 4. Election. Except as provided in Section 7, commission members shall be elected by ballot vote (paper or electronic) of the delegates in attendance at the biennial convention. If the election includes the filling of one or more unexpired terms, the members receiving higher majorities shall serve full terms, and those receiving lower majorities shall serve the remainder of the unexpired terms.</p> <p>Section 5. Term. Members of the commission shall serve four-year staggered terms and until their successors are elected. Members of the commission may serve two consecutive terms. Members may serve again after being out of office for one term.</p> <p>Section 6. Removal. The NAP Board of Directors may remove commission members for cause by a vote of two-thirds of the entire board by roll call vote and in open session and after following disciplinary proceedings as provided in the parliamentary authority.</p> <p>Section 7. Vacancies. If a vacancy on the commission occurs during a biennium, the NAP Board of Directors shall elect a commissioner to serve until the next biennial convention. At the next biennial convention, the delegates in attendance shall elect a</p>	Delete	None

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member to serve for a full term or for the remainder of the unexpired term, whichever is applicable.

Section 8. Leadership. The commission shall elect its chairman, vice-chairman, and secretary for a two-year term.

Section 9. Purpose. The commission shall determine the professional credentials to be offered by NAP (RP®, PRP® and others as determined by the commission), shall establish the criteria for obtaining the credentials consistent with the body of knowledge, shall establish renewal requirements and procedures, and shall rule on all appeals arising from the credentialing process.

Section 10. Duties: The commission shall:

- A. administer the credentialing programs of the NAP within accepted psychometric practices;
- B. approve education programs required to retain credentials;
- C. initiate periodic job analysis studies and use the results to keep the body of knowledge current, provided that any changes to the body of knowledge must be approved by the NAP Board of Directors’
- D. recommend pricing for credentialing programs to the Board of Directors;
- E. promote the credentialing program; and
- F. perform other duties related to the credentialing program as needed

Article III, Section 1.B.1.

- a) To qualify for registered membership and use of the title “Registered Parliamentarian” (RP®), a regular member shall successfully complete such requirements as designated by the Commission on Credentialing.
- b) To retain registered membership, the RP® shall successfully complete such requirements as designated by the Commission on Credentialing.

Article III, Section 1 B 2

- a) To qualify for professional registered membership and the use of the title “Professional Registered Parliamentarian” (PRP®), a registered member shall successfully complete such requirements as designated by the Commission on Credentialing.
- b) To retain professional registered membership, a PRP® shall successfully complete such requirements as designated by the Commission on Credentialing. Authors of the current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised shall by that fact be

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<p>deemed to qualify for and retain professional registered membership provided they pay the dues required for that classification.</p> <p>Article X, Section 1.A. Composition, Accountability, Ex officio Members, Subcommittees, and Term. The standing committees of NAP shall be bylaws, communications, educational resources, international services, membership examiners, membership extension and retention, professional development, professional responsibility and member discipline, and youth.</p> <p>Article X, Section 1 G Membership Extension and Retention Committee. The membership extension and retention committee shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. consist of the district directors; 2. promote recruitment, extension, and retention of membership and the formation of associations and units; and 3. coordinate the membership activities of the district directors. <p>Article X, Section 1 H Professional Development Committee. The professional development committee shall develop educational programs for all levels of the body of knowledge.</p>		
CONFORMING AMENDMENTS		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Article III, Section 1 B 1 a and b, as amended, would read: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. To qualify for registered membership and use of the title “Registered Parliamentarian” (RP®), a regular member shall successfully complete such requirements as designated by the Membership and Registration Examiners Committee. b. To retain registered membership, the RP® shall successfully complete such requirements as designated by the Membership and Registration Examiners Committee within each six-year period. 2. Article III, Section 1 B 2 a and b as amended, would read: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. To qualify for professional registered membership and the use of the title “Professional Registered Parliamentarian” (PRP®), a registered member shall successfully complete such requirements as designated by the Professional Development Committee. b. To retain professional registered membership, a PRP® shall successfully complete such requirements as designated by the Professional 		

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Development Committee. Authors of the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall by that fact be deemed to qualify for and retain professional registered membership provided they pay the dues required for that classification."

Amend by inserting in Article X: Standing Committees after "membership examiners" "membership registration and examiners,"

3. Article X, Section 1 A, as amended, would read:

A. Composition, Accountability, Ex officio Members, Subcommittees, and Term. The standing committees of NAP shall be bylaws, communications, educational resources, international services, membership examiners, membership and registration examiners, membership extension and retention, professional development, professional responsibility and member discipline, and youth.

4. Article X, Section 1 G, as amended, would read:

G. Membership and Registration Examiners Committee. The membership and registration examiners committee shall:

1. Process applications for membership in NAP;
2. Review and update the membership examination questions;
3. prepare membership examinations;
4. submit to the NAP Board of Directors for approval any substantial changes in the structure or administration of the membership examination;
5. Administer the membership examinations;
6. Process applications for registered status in NAP;
7. Review and update the registration examination questions;
8. Prepare registration examinations;
9. submit to the NAP Board of Directors for approval any substantial changes in the structure or administration of the registration examination;
and
10. administer the registration examinations.

5. Article X, Section 1 H, as amended, would read:

H. Professional Development Committee:

1. develop and upgrade the curricula of the courses for credentialed members;
2. be responsible for courses and other requirements for attaining and retaining the PRP® classification and retaining the RP® classification;
and
3. submit to the NAP Board of Directors for approval any proposed changes in the requirements for attaining or retaining the PRP® classification and retaining the RP® classification or any substantial changes in the structure or administration of courses.]
4. develop educational programs for all levels of the body of knowledge

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PROPOSED BY: Alamo Registered Unit, East Texas Parliamentarians Unit, and San Antonio Unit, The Board of Directors of Tar Heel Electronic Unit, Louisiana Association of Parliamentarians, North Carolina Association of Parliamentarians and Texas State Association of Parliamentarians

RATIONALE: The amendment and conforming amendments would restore the authority of the Professional Development Committee and the Membership and Registration Examiners Committee to administer the credentialing programs of NAP, again organizing these vital programs under the association's standing committees with full accountability to the Membership and the Board of Directors.

NAP Bylaws Committee: No Recommendation

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AMENDMENT #9: To amend Article XI, Section 1 by striking out “At least five” and inserting “All members” and inserting after credentialed “NAP members.” Also striking out “and one may be a regular member”

Current Language	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted Would Read
Section 1. Composition. There shall be six members of the Commission on Credentialing. At least five members must be credentialed (PRP®/RP®) and one may be a regular member. Members of the board of directors are not eligible to serve on this commission. Members of the commission cannot teach courses leading to initial credentialing at any level.	Section 1. Composition. There shall be six members of the Commission on Credentialing. At least five All members must be credentialed NAP members (PRP®/RP®). and one may be a regular member. Members of the board of directors are not eligible to serve on this commission. Members of the commission cannot teach courses leading to initial credentialing at any level.	Section 1. Composition. There shall be six members of the Commission on Credentialing. All members must be credentialed NAP members (PRP®/RP®). Members of the board of directors are not eligible to serve on this commission. Members of the commission cannot teach courses leading to initial credentialing at any level.

RATIONALE: The Commission on Credentialing is responsible for the administration of the Registered Parliamentarian and Professional Registered Parliamentarian examinations. As such, a non-credentialed member would be recused from almost all commission activities.

NAP Bylaws Committee: Recommends Adoption

To amend Article III, Section B1 by striking out the proviso: The ending date of the 6-year period of the credentialed members as of January 1, 2024, will remain in effect.

Current Language	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted Would Read
Proviso: The ending date of the 6-year period of the credentialed members as of January 1, 2024, will remain in effect.	The ending date of the 6-year period of the credentialed members as of January 1, 2024, will remain in effect.	N/A

Proposed by Darlene Allen on behalf of the Commission.

RATIONALE: The proviso is no longer needed. This will also affect the proviso in Article III, Section 2 D.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS OF
THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS**

AMENDMENT # 10: Amend Article V OFFICERS, Section 2.A.3. by inserting “or as a district director, association president or chair of a national standing committee within the past ten years” before the current word “before”.

CURRENT WORDING Section 2.A.3.	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
3. shall have served on the NAP Board of Directors for at least two terms before the beginning of the term for which nominated.	3. shall have served on the NAP Board of Directors for at least two terms or as a district director, association president or chair of a national standing committee within the past ten years before the beginning of the term for which nominated.	3. shall have served on the NAP Board of Directors for at least two terms or as a district director, association president or chair of a national standing committee within the past ten years before the beginning of the term for which nominated.

PROPOSED BY: Alamo Registered Unit, Illinois Valley Unit, San Antonio Unit, Atlanta Registered Unit and the NAP Bylaws Committee

RATIONALE: This amendment expands the pool of eligible candidates who can provide national leadership to include those who have served at the various levels of the organization.

NAP Bylaws Committee: Recommends Adoption

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS OF
THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS**

AMENDMENT # 11: Amend Article V OFFICERS, Section 2 C1 Eligibility for Treasurer by striking in its entirety.

CURRENT WORDING Section 2.C.1.	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
1. Shall be a professional registered parliamentarian;	Delete	None

PROPOSED BY: Alamo Registered Unit, Illinois Valley Unit, San Antonio Unit, Atlanta Registered Unit

RATIONALE: This amendment expands the pool of eligible candidates who can provide financial leadership to for the organization and ends the disenfranchisement of the majority of NAP members from national leadership. The proposal removes barriers to regular members seeking national office.

NAP Bylaws Committee: No Recommendation

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS OF
THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS**

AMENDMENT # 12: Amend Article V OFFICERS, Section 2.B.1. Eligibility for Secretary by striking in its entirety.

CURRENT WORDING Section 2.B.1.	PROPOSED AMENDMENT	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
1. Shall be a professional registered parliamentarian;	Delete	None

PROPOSED BY: Alamo Registered Unit; Illinois Valley Unit, San Antonio Unit, Atlanta Registered Unit

RATIONALE: This amendment expands the pool of eligible candidates who can provide leadership for the organization and ends the disenfranchisement of the majority of NAP members from national leadership. The proposal removes barriers to regular members seeking national office.

NAP Bylaws Committee: Recommends Against Adoption