

RESOLUTION 2025-101

ORIGINATOR: KDA EXECUTIVE BOARD

BACKGROUND: The KDA Executive Board reviewed and approved the 2026 Budget as developed by the Budget and Finance Committee. **Therefore, be it**

RESOLVED, that the proposed 2026 Revenue and Expenditure Budget be approved.

RESOLUTION 2025-102

ORIGINATOR: KDA EXECUTIVE BOARD

BACKGROUND: In the proposed 2026 Budget, REVENUES were based on current membership numbers and a \$50.00 dues increase. With the passage by the House of Resolution F2007-102, we are required to request a \$50.00 dues increase. **Therefore, be it**

RESOLVED, that Chapter I, Section 4, A. (1) is changed from \$541.00 to \$591.00

RESOLUTION 2025-103

ORIGINATOR: KDA EXECUTIVE BOARD

Background: In the event that the KDA needs to discontinue or rename the Annual Session in the future, the following bylaw changes are proposed to ensure continuity in the House of Delegates.

Chapter III, SECTION 6. A.

Regular Meetings. The Secretary of the Association shall cause to be published in the Kentucky Dental Journal, an official notice of the time and place of the ~~Annual Session~~ *House of Delegates* and shall send to each member of the House of Delegates an official notice of the time and place of the ~~Annual Session~~ *House of Delegates* at least thirty (30) days before the opening of such meeting.

Chapter III, SECTION 12, COMMITTEES, A. CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE.

(a) Composition. The committee, consisting of six (6) officially certified delegates from any six (6) Component Societies, shall be appointed by the President at least thirty (30) days in advance of each regular meeting.

(b) Duties. It shall be the duty of the Committee:

1. To record and report the roll call of the House of Delegates at each meeting.
2. To conduct a hearing on any contest regarding the certification of a delegate or alternate delegate and to report its recommendations to the House of Delegates.
3. To verify the eligibility of membership at the ~~Annual Session~~ *House of Delegates* and resolve any question thereof. **Therefore, be it**

Resolved, that Chapter III, Section 6.A. read, Regular Meetings. The Secretary of the Association shall cause to be published in the Kentucky Dental Journal an official notice of the time and place of the *House of Delegates* and shall send to each member of the House of Delegates an official notice of the time and place of the *House of Delegates* at least thirty (30) days before the opening of such meeting.

And further resolved that Chapter III, Section 12, A, article 3 be amended to read, to verify the eligibility of membership at the *House of Delegates* and resolve any question thereof.

RESOLUTION 2025-104

ORIGINATOR: KDA EXECUTIVE BOARD

BACKGROUND: The Kentucky Dental Association no longer facilitates peer review processes involving members and third-party programs. This responsibility has been assumed by the Kentucky Board of Dentistry, which has the appropriate capacity and staffing to manage such disputes.

Chapter III, Section 13, B Council on Ethics, Bylaws and Judicial Affairs duties, item #11 reads: To serve as a review committee of reasonable differences between third-party programs and dentists. **Therefore, be it**

RESOLVED, that Chapter III, Section 13, B. Council on Ethics, Bylaws and Judicial Affairs duties Item #11 be deleted from the bylaws.

RESOLUTION 2025-105

ORIGINATOR: KDA EXECUTIVE BOARD

BACKGROUND: The Executive Board held a discussion regarding the nomination process. One concern raised was whether the current bylaws language permits the process to proceed if a candidate is not identified prior to April 1. The discussion included requirements for a candidate running from the floor of the General Assembly. Additionally, a suggestion was made to simplify the process by eliminating the requirement for three letters of recommendation. **Therefore, be it**

RESOLVED, that Chapter IV, Section 12, Application Form, *The Application will include three (3) letters of recommendation from members of the Kentucky Dental Association* be deleted from the bylaws.

And further resolved, Chapter IV, Section 12, Responsibilities of Election Commission be amended to add, Item #7, *In the event that no nominee has submitted an application for a given office, nominations from the floor of the General Assembly shall be permitted. Any individual running from the floor must provide the election commission with a signed attestation confirming the accuracy of their information and affirming their ability and commitment to fulfill the responsibilities of the office sought. Additionally, the candidate must sign a conflict of interest disclosure. Each floor nominee will be granted up to three minutes to present their platform to the assembly.*

RESOLUTION 2025-106

ORIGINATOR: KDA EXECUTIVE BOARD

BACKGROUND: In recent cycles, the KDA Executive Board's Chair role has been assumed by the First Vice President. However, our bylaws state that the Chair must be a voting member of the Board, and the First Vice President currently serves as an ex-officio, non-voting member. Granting voting privileges to the First Vice President would resolve this inconsistency. Moreover, serving as Chair offers valuable preparation for the KDA presidency.

SECTION 1. COMPOSITION reads: The Executive Board shall consist of the President of the Kentucky Dental Association, (serving as a voting member with all rights and privileges as any other member) and one (1) member elected annually from each Component Society (except that the members elected by the Student Dental Societies shall not have voting privileges). The ~~First Vice President~~, Immediate Past President, Second Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, Speaker of the House, Editor of the Kentucky Dental Journal, the Executive Director of the Kentucky Board of Dentistry, the Dean of the University of Louisville School of Dentistry, the Dean of the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry, Dean of University of Pikeville Tanner College of Dental Medicine and the Dental Director of the Kentucky Department for Human Resources shall be exofficio members without the right to vote. The President of each Component Society can appoint another component member as an alternate member of the Executive Board and shall serve with all privileges in the absence of the Component Society elected Board member. **Therefore, be it**

RESOLVED, SECTION 1. COMPOSITION be amended to read, The Executive Board shall consist of the President of the Kentucky Dental Association, *and The First Vice President* (serving as a voting members with all rights and privileges as any other member) and one (1) member elected annually from each Component Society (except that the members elected by the Student

Dental Societies shall not have voting privileges). The ~~First Vice President~~, Immediate Past President, Second Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, Speaker of the House, Editor of the Kentucky Dental Journal, the Executive Director of the Kentucky Board of Dentistry, the Dean of the University of Louisville School of Dentistry, the Dean of the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry, Dean of University of Pikeville Tanner College of Dental Medicine and the Dental Director of the Kentucky Department for Human Resources shall be exofficio members without the right to vote. The President of each Component Society can appoint another component member as an alternate member of the Executive Board and shall serve with all privileges in the absence of the Component Society elected Board member.

And be it further resolved, Chapter IV, Section 8, B be amended to add, Item 2. *To serve as a voting member of the Executive Board* under duties listed for the First Vice President.

RESOLUTION 2025-107

ORIGINATOR: KDA COUNCIL ON ETHICS, BYLAWS AND JUDICIAL AFFAIRS

BACKGROUND: With the annual meeting now held in the fall, requesting nominations from our constituent societies by January 1 may present a challenge. Extending the deadline to April 30 provides these societies with sufficient time to identify qualified nominees and better align the process with the timing of our annual session. Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, Chapter V, Section 11, B will now read: The Kentucky Dental Association Fellowship Award is to be given to a dentist who is a member of the Kentucky Dental Association who has made an outstanding contribution to dentistry in Kentucky. Each component of the Kentucky Dental Association may elect one dentist to receive the award each year. The dentist need not be a member of the component. The award will be presented at the Annual Session each year at the Marcus Randall Memorial Event. The selection of each component is to be given to the Kentucky Dental Association Executive Director by ~~January 1~~ April 30 of each year.

RESOLUTION 2025-108

ORIGINATOR: KDA MEMBER, SAMANTHA SHAVER

BACKGROUND: The Humanitarian award recognizes dentist members who have distinguished themselves by outstanding unselfish leadership and at least a “ten-year-commitment” to their fellow human beings in the field of dentistry, through the dedication of extraordinary time and professional skills to improve the oral health of underserved populations in the United States and abroad. In past nominations, some deserving individuals were found ineligible solely because they had not yet met the 'ten-year' requirement. Removing this time constraint allows us to recognize

younger dentists whose impactful service already embodies the spirit and intent of the award.
Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, Chapter V, Section 11, C will now read, This prestigious award recognizes dentist members who have distinguished themselves by outstanding unselfish leadership and ~~at least a 10 year-a~~ commitment to their fellow human beings in the field of dentistry, through the dedication of extraordinary time and professional skills to improve the oral health of underserved populations in the United States and abroad.

AND FURTHER RESOLVED, under, the following documentation must be submitted:

- Complete nomination information addressing the commitment (~~of at least 10 years~~) and extraordinary humanitarian services of the nominee and the ongoing legacy that will be left, taking into account specific actions employed, demonstrated leadership skills, knowledge, dedication and persistence used to improve the oral health prospects of the specific community(ies), the population group(s) served and the long-term impact of these endeavors as indicated by the information requested.