

Proposed Changes to AAMN Bylaws

The AAMN Board of Directors recommends changes in the AAMN bylaws that will provide a mechanism for “honorary members” to also participate as full voting members of the Assembly. The original bylaws exempt honorary members from paying annual dues but exclude them from making motions, voting, and holding office. The proposed change will restore those membership privileges if honorary members also elect to continue as regular dues-paying members. The proposed changes are indicated in [brackets] below. The Board will present the proposed changes to the membership for a vote at the annual conference.

Section E. Honorary Membership

Honorary membership in the Assembly, upon recommendation of the Board of Directors, may be conferred by ~~unanimous~~-vote at any annual Assembly meeting, upon those who have rendered distinguished service or valuable assistance to organized nursing service, [science], education, [or leadership]. All persons receiving the Luther Christman Award shall receive honorary membership. Honorary members may participate in discussions at all meetings, but may not vote at Assembly Meetings or be counted as part of a quorum. Honorary members shall not be required to pay dues to the Assembly and shall have all membership privileges except making motions, voting, and holding office. [Honorary members may also be regular dues paying members and fully participate in all activities, offices, etc. open to regular members.] Chapter Bylaws will determine honorary membership privileges at Chapter meetings and activities.