Linked Amendment 7

Bylaws, Article I, Section 2 – Yearbook, page 112

Proposed Amendment:

(Unchanged text in black roman, deleted last sentence struck through.)

The President shall preside at all business meetings of the Society and of the Board of Directors. She, with the Treasurer or the Third Vice-President, shall sign all contracts for the Society. In the absence of the Treasurer, the Investment Chair/Assistant Treasurer, and the Third Vice-President she may sign checks and/or appoint a substitute Treasurer with the power of signature. She shall be an ex officio member of all committees except the Membership and Nominating Committees.

Rationale:

This amendment proposes to improve clarity and consistency within the Bylaws. The President's core duties (presiding at meetings, signing contracts, and signing checks or appointing a substitute Treasurer when necessary) remain in Article I, Section 2 because they are not repeated elsewhere.

The only change is the removal of the sentence stating that the President is an ex officio member of all committees except the Membership and Nominating Committees. That exclusion is already addressed in Article VI (Committees), making its duplication in Article I unnecessary. Eliminating the redundancy removes the need for a cross-reference and ensures the President's responsibilities are presented clearly and remain self-contained.