

Bylaws Amendments

NACWA's Board of Directors is recommending membership approval of two amendments to the Association's *Bylaws*

The first proposed *Bylaws* amendment limits Board Member tenure to three, 3-year terms, except in cases where no candidate can be identified. This amendment will provide an increased opportunity for active and engaged NACWA Members to serve the Association as Board Members. The original provision, with the proposed change follows:

ARTICLE IV Board of Directors

5. *Tenure* Directors shall not serve more than ~~three~~^{four} consecutive full 3-year terms; however, if no candidate is placed in nomination for a seat to be vacated after a sitting Board member serves three 3-year terms, the sitting Board member may run for re-election to a fourth 3-year term.

The second amendment ensures that NACWA is in compliance with the newly-enacted District of Columbia Nonprofit Corporations Act. Under this amendment, Board approval is required for Board Committee appointments. The original provision, with the proposed change follows:

ARTICLE VI Committees

2. *Board Committees* The Board of Directors may establish committees, in addition to the Executive Committee, as appropriate. The President shall appoint, *with Board of Directors approval*, the members of such Committees from among the members of the Board, *including designation of the* ~~and shall designate the~~ Chair and Vice Chair of such Committees.

A complete copy of NACWA's *Bylaws* is available at [\[LINK TO BYLAWS IN GOVERNANCE SECTION OF WEBSITE\]](#). NACWA's membership will vote on these proposed *Bylaws* amendments during the *Annual Association Business Meeting* on Tuesday, July 17, 2012 in Philadelphia.