

Article IX

Amendments

Section 1. Any member unit shall have the right to propose an amendment to any Article or Section of the By-Laws to the Board of Directors. Any amendment must be approved by a two-thirds majority of the Board of Directors present at regular or special Board of Directors meetings to become effective.

Section 2. Amendments shall become effective immediately upon approval of the membership of Directors and notification shall be forwarded to each unit member in the Association.

Section 3. The term, Secretary-Treasurer as it appears in various sections of the Association's By-Laws, shall be changed to Executive Secretary-Treasurer as amended in Article 1 Section 4 in Convention on the 21st day of November 1998. The effective date of said changes shall be immediately upon its passage.

Section 4.. Individual dues shall be \$20.00 per year, changing from \$15.00 per year, as amended in Article IV Section 1 in Convention November 2006.

Section 5.. The name convention as it appears in various sections of the Association's By-Laws; shall be changed to conference as amended in Article V Section 1 in Convention November 2007.

Section 6.. In the event any squad is placed on probation or suspension for any of the reasons as stipulated in Article III, Section 5, items one through eight, or for any reason deemed necessary by the Association, shall for a period of one year, be considered as "not in good standing" and will be excluded from receiving AARS funding, **and benefits** and **also** forfeit all voting privileges. Effective Conference 2013.

Section 7..A by-law change can be presented at the third quarterly meeting in order for the squad representative to carry the information back to their squad to discuss before it is voted on at the conference. Effective Conference 2014.

Section 8. Any organization making membership application to AARS that has met the requirements to become a member of the AARS shall **NOT** be voted on for membership if said organization is not present at the quarterly meeting when nomination is made. If nominated organization is not present when nominated the vote shall be tabled until next quarterly meeting. If nominated organization is not present at the next quarterly meeting, the application for membership will be removed from any further consideration. In the event said organization is removed from consideration, a new application will not be considered for six (6) months from date of second missed quarterly meeting. Effective Conference 2014