	Proposed Statutes amendments	Rationale
Article I:	**Name and Location**	
1	The name of the association shall be the *European Association of Archaeologists* (hereinafter referred to as the '*Association*').	
2	The registered office and seat of the Secretariat of the *Association* (as defined in Article III.5) shall be located where the Executive Board decides. Since January 2005 the registered office and seat of the Secretariat are located at Archeologický ústav AV CR, Letenská 4, 118 01 Praha 1, Czech Republic.	
3	The *Association* has the Czech identification number 75043289.	
Article II:	**Aims**	
	The focus of the *Association* is every aspect of archaeology relevant to archaeologists based in Europe or elsewhere, interested in European perspectives on archaeology.	The Association deliberately avoids a strict definition of "Europe," recognising that there is no universally accepted boundary and that archaeology often transcends geographic divisions. Although its main focus is archaeology in Europe, EAA's open international membership and the close historical, cultural, and archaeological connections between Europe and other regions mean the EAA may legitimately engage with archaeological issues beyond Europe. The EAA may also interact with European governments, institutions, and organisations whose activities outside Europe have archaeological implications, while respecting the authority of the countries where the heritage is located.
	In accordance, the aims of the *Association* shall be:	Connecting clause added.
1	To promote the development of archaeological research and the exchange of archaeological information in Europe.	
2	To promote the management and interpretation of the European archaeological heritage.	
3	To promote ~~proper~~ ethical and scientific standards for archaeological work.	Deletion of redundant word.
4	To promote the interests of professional archaeologists in Europe.	

5	To promote archaeology to the public, and to raise awareness of archaeology in Europe.	
6	To promote cooperation with other organisations with similar aims.	
7	To promote interest in archaeological remains as evidence of the human past and contributing to our knowledge of human culture and to discourage a focus upon any commercial value that may attach to such material.	
8	To work for the protection of archaeological remains and cultural heritage, including the prevention of related illegal activities.	
9	To promote friendship and peaceful cooperation of archaeologists.	
Article III:	**Activities and functions**	
	In order to promote the above aims the *Association* may:	
1	Publish a journal to be called *The European Journal of Archaeology* and other periodic and non-periodic publications.	
2	Maintain an information service for its *Members* .	
3	Organise an *Annual Membership Business Meeting* and *Annual Meeting* as well as *European Archaeology Fair* , and other conferences and seminars relevant to the aims of the *Association* .	
4	Function as a monitoring and advisory body on issues relating to European and global archaeology.	
5	Encourage *Members* to form and to join thematic *Communities* .	
6	Establish a *Secretariat* to carry out the activities of the *Association* and provide services to *Members* .	
7	Cooperate in technical and administrative terms with the *Annual Meeting Host* .	
Article IV:	**Language**	

	The official working language of the *Association* at the *Annual Membership Business Meeting* and the meetings of the *Executive Board* shall be English.	
Article V:	**Membership**	
1	There shall be the following categories of Full Membership:	
a.	Regular (annual)	
b.	Family (annual)	
c.	Student (annual)	
d.	Retired (annual)	
e.	Volunteer (annual)	
f.	Life	
g.	Life family	
h.	Honorary individual	
i.	Corporate individual (annual; Regular, Student or Retired)	
j.	Corporate (annual)	
k.	Honorary institutional	
l.	Observer (annual)	
	Categories 1 a) to 1 i) are *Full Individual Members* .	
2	*Family Membership* is available to two *Full Individual Members* who assert a relationship. *Volunteer Membership* is granted to persons who were accepted to serve as a volunteer at an *Annual Meeting* . *Complimentary Observer* status is bestowed to individuals who for technical reasons attend to EAA matters but are not subject to membership rights and obligations.	
3	Only *Full Individual Members* shall have voting rights in the affairs of the *Association* .	
4	By signing up for membership, a *Member* agrees to adhere to *Association's Statutes and Codes* .	
5	Subscription to *The European Journal of Archaeology* is included in EAA membership and is regulated in the *Handbook* .	

6	All changes to membership rates shall be approved by the *Annual Membership Business Meeting* .	
7	Subscriptions are due before the end of January of each year. A *Member* who is in arrears with the payment of the *Annual Subscription Rate* will lose her/his active membership status and voting rights; active membership will be reinstated upon payment of the amount due.	
8	Students and retired individuals shall be eligible to pay reduced membership rates. Reduced rates may also be applied in certain countries.	
9	Membership rights and obligations:	
9.1	Membership rights for all *Members* :	
a.	participate in cultural and social activities of the *Association* ,	
b.	being informed about the *Association* 's activities,	
c.	participate in activities, training and seminars in the terms determined for individual events,	
d.	freely declare their opinion on any matter of legitimate concern to the *Association* and to submit proposals for *Association* activities as provided in these *Statutes* ,	
e.	participate in meetings of the *Association* bodies, in the terms determined by the *Statutes* ,	
f.	change the type of their membership, provided that conditions for such change as provided in the *Statutes* are satisfied,	
g.	terminate their membership anytime,	
h.	propose the formation of thematic *Communities* and participate in existing ones.	
9.2	Membership rights belonging to *Full Individual Members* only:	
a.	participate in the *Annual Membership Business Meeting* , *Special Meetings* and referenda and vote on its decisions,	
b.	elect and get elected into all elected *Association* bodies on the terms and conditions hereof.	

10	Membership obligations that shall be complied with by all *Members* :	
a.	follow the *Association Statutes* and *Codes* ,	
b.	perform resolutions and other decisions of the *Association* bodies,	
c.	save, protect and magnify assets serving for the *Association* to safeguard its activities as well as strive for the *Association*'s good reputation.	
11	Membership obligations that shall be complied with by *Full Members* only:	
a.	pay the respective membership fees as well as other fees related to proper *Membership* and activities in the *Association* as decided upon by the respective *Association* body under the Statutes properly and in time,	
b.	properly perform the positions and tasks they were elected into, or charged with, or accepted responsibility for.	
12	*Corporate membership* shall be open to organisations and institutions that undertake to make annual financial contributions to the work of the *Association* . A *Corporate member* can nominate up to eleven of its members/employees as *Corporate Individual Members* (*Regular, Student* or *Retired*) for the year of subscription.	
13	*Affiliation* to EAA shall be open to organisations and institutions with a minimum of five *Full Individual Members* and defined by specific agreement.	
14	The *Association* will not disclose personal data of *Members* and affiliates without the consent of the *Member* or unless required to do so by law.	
Article VI:	**Organisation**	
1	The *Association* constituents are:	

a.	The *Members* and the A*nnual Membership Business Meeting*. It decides on the business activity and direction of the development of the *Association*.	
b.	The governing body of the *Association* shall be the *Executive Board* (hereinafter referred to as the '*Board*'). The *Board* shall supervise, control, and direct the affairs of the *Association*, its committees, and publications.	
c.	The *President* shall be the statutory body of the *Association*.	
d.	Statutory Committees include: Nomination Committee, Appeal and Anti-Harassment Committee, Statutes Committee.	
2	Only Full Individual Members of the Association shall be eligible for election to the *Board*.	
3	The *Board* shall consist of four or five *Officers* (*President, Incoming President, Treasurer,* and *Secretary*) and five *Ordinary Members*. The *Board* shall elect a *Vice-President* from its voting membership. The *Vice-President* will serve as an *Officer* and will remain in the position until the end of his/her elected mandate, and can be re-elected as *Vice-President* to a second term.	Clarification of the Vice-President election and re-election procedure.
4	*Officers* and *Ordinary Members* shall be elected to the *Board* for a period of three years. One *Officer* and two *Ordinary Members* shall retire from the *Board* each year at the *Annual Membership Business Meeting*. The *President* shall be elected in the year before taking office, and serve as *Incoming President* for one year. No individual shall serve on the *Board* for more than two consecutive three-year periods. They shall become eligible for re-election after an interval of three years.	

5	Any or all *Board* Members may be subject to a vote of no-confidence by *Full Individual Members* provided such a call is supported by a minimum of ten per cent of such *Members* at the time of the date of petition. Each *Board Member* involved will be notified at latest ten days after the reception of the call. The procedure for *Special Meetings* outlined in Art. IX will apply. Each *Board Member* subject to the vote may opt to submit an individual statement with the documents sent to *Full Individual Members* no later than 15 days in advance of the *Meeting*, by sending to the Secretariat at least five days before this deadline. To be effective, such a vote must receive 20 per cent of *Full Individual Members* voting in favour. In case of valid no-confidence vote, the resignation of the individual or individuals concerned from their position as *Board Member* will be immediate (without any effect on their membership of the *Association*). There shall be no right of appeal against the decision of the vote except on the grounds of procedural irregularity, to be made to the *Appeal and Anti-Harassment Committee* within 14 days of the announcement of the result of the vote.	Introduction of a vote of no-confidence mechanism as requested by the outcomes of the 2026 Special Meeting. A Board member should only be removed if at least 20% of all current members vote in favour, a threshold recommended by the Statutes Committee that is high enough to prevent easy removal but still realistically achievable based on recent voting patterns. If a removal vote succeeds, any vacant Board positions would be filled in accordance with the Statutes by the Board, or by the Nominations Committee if the entire Board is removed.
6	The *Board* shall be empowered to make co-options to fill the places of elected *Members*, including *Officers*, who do not complete their full three-year terms of office, where there was no candidate for election or for other reasons that will assist the work of the *Board*. Such co-options which shall not exceed three in any year shall be effective until the following *Annual Membership Business Meeting*, at which point the vacancy will be filled by election as described in Article VII.	
7	A *Board Member*'s term of office automatically terminates if:	
a.	their term of office ends;	
b.	they resign;	
c.	they cease to be a *Full Individual Member*;	

d.	they die.	
8	The *Board* shall hold at least two meetings each year. Dates, locations and formats of meetings - including digitally assisted remote meetings - shall be proposed by the *President* and approved by the *Board* or a majority of the *Board* . If the *President* fails to convene the *Board* , after nine months have elapsed since the last *Board Meeting* , it may be convened by joint initiative of three *Board Members* .	

9	Meetings of the *Board* shall normally be chaired by the *President* . In the *President* 's absence, the *Incoming President* (if applicable) shall take the chair. If the *President* and *Incoming President* are both absent, the *Secretary* shall take the chair. If the *President, Incoming President* and *Secretary* are all absent, the *Treasurer* shall take the chair. If the *President, Incoming President, Secretary* and *Treasurer* are all absent, the *Vice-President* shall take the chair. The quorum for a *Meeting* of the *Board* shall be half of its *Members* plus one, including at least one *Officer* . Decisions shall be made by simple majority vote. *Board Members* shall declare any potential conflict of interest and shall be barred from taking part in the discussion and voting on any matter in which they have conflicting interests. In the event of a tied vote, the chair of the meeting shall have the casting vote. The *Board* may delegate the conduct of the *Association'* s business to the *President* and other *Officers* and the *Secretariat* between meetings, who will act with all due diligence; in any case no commitments to expenditure of more than 50 times the cost of an annual subscription of a *Full Regular Member* (Category A) may be undertaken without a vote of the *Board* . Where an urgent business matter arising calls for a decision between *Meetings* of the *Board* , voting may take place by electronic means. The *Minutes* of the *Board Meetings* will be accessible to *Members* on the digital platform of the *Association* .	
10	The *Secretary* shall be responsible for the preparation of meetings of the *Board* and the *Annual Membership Business Meeting* , together with the *President,* shall oversee the proper recording of the proceedings of meetings, shall ensure that accurate membership records are maintained, and shall ensure that decisions of the *Annual Membership Business Meeting* , the *Board* , and the *President* are implemented.	

11	The business of the *Association* is regulated by the present *Statutes*, and detailed in a *Handbook*. The *Handbook*'s content is approved by the *Board* and updated regularly by the *Secretariat*.	
12	All elected and appointed EAA postholders (Statutory and other roles), shall be required at all times to act in the best interests of the *Association* and its *Members*. Any case of conflict of interest must be declared when it appears, or when it becomes relevant; the postholder will consequently declare it and abstain from any involvement in the action concerned. Serious failure in these respects shall constitute malfeasance for the purpose of Article VIII.	
Article VII:	**Rules of Election**	
1	A *Nomination Committee* of five *Members* shall be elected through a ballot in the normal election process. *Nomination Committee Members* shall serve for periods of five years, one retiring in rotation each year. No serving member of the *Board* may become a candidate to membership of the *Nomination Committee*. One position on the *Nomination Committee* shall be reserved for an early career professional. After the end or any anticipated conclusion of their service period, a former *Nomination Committee* member shall become eligible for re-election after an interval of five years.	Expanding the Nominations Committee from four to five members will help avoid tied votes and strengthen the Committee's capacity to fulfil its responsibilities. If approved by the Members, this amendment will require adjustments to the Committee's rotation cycle and will also clarify the minimum interval before a former member is eligible for re-election.
2	Names of candidates for election to the *Nomination Committee*, supported by at least ten *Full Individual Members*, must be submitted to the *Secretariat* at least 150 days before the *Annual Membership Business Meeting*. Names of the candidates for election to the *Board*, supported by at least ten *Full Individual Members*, must be submitted to the *Secretariat* at least 150 days before the *Annual Membership Business Meeting*, for consideration by the *Nomination Committee*.	

3	Only in case of absence of candidates, the *Board* may propose candidates, voted upon individually, for election to the *Nomination Committee* . The names of any candidates proposed by the *Board* must be submitted to the *Secretariat* at least 120 days before the *Annual Membership Business Meeting* ; the names and details will be sent immediately to the *Nomination Committee* . The *Nomination Committee* has to evaluate the eligibility of any such candidates in ten days since transmission.	If there are not candidates nominated by Members to the position on the Nomination Committee, The Board may propose candidates for Members to vote on. The Nomination Committee checks formal eligibility of any such candidates.
4	The *Nomination Committee* shall check that *Board* candidates comply with the regulations of the *Association* and shall reject candidates who do not comply with them. Written reasons for its decisions will be immediately delivered by the *Nomination Committee* to the *Secretariat* , at least 120 days before the Annual Membership Business Meeting. The *Secretariat* will inform the *Board* and the *Candidates* . Rejected *Candidates* may appeal to the *Appeal and Anti-Harassment Committee* . The decision of the *Appeal and Anti-Harassment Committee* shall be final.	
5	The *Nomination Committee* shall nominate a candidate or candidates for election to each vacant position on the *Board* . The *Nomination Committee* will ensure a broad representation with respect to geography, age, institutional affiliation, gender and editorial expertise where relevant.	

6	Each *Full Individual Member* shall be entitled to vote for one candidate for each vacant position on the *Board* and on the *Nomination Committee* . Voting shall be by secret ballot. Ballot papers shall be mailed to *Full Members* in good standing by the *Secretariat* under supervision of the *Secretary* at least thirty days before the *Annual Membership Business Meeting* . The *Secretary* will be responsible for the counting of votes received and shall certify the vote to the *Annual Membership Business Meeting* .	
7	The method or methods of voting and the method or methods by which ballot papers and information about candidates and voting are communicated to *Members* will be determined by the *Board* and may include any or all of the following: ordinary mail, fax, electronic mail, websites or using other technical means.	
8	In the event of a *President* or *Secretary* becoming incapacitated, resigning or being removed by a vote of *Members* , the sequence of assumption of executive authority until appointments are made is the same as foreseen in Article VI.8 for the *Board Chair* . If all *Officers* are incapacitated, a *Board Member* drawn by lot shall; if all *Board Members* are incapacitated, the *Nomination Committee* will attribute executive authority to a senior Member, of at least 10 years' uninterrupted standing.	The amendment defines the sequence of assumption of executive authority in case its regular holders become incapacitated.
Article VIII:	**Rules of Exclusion**	
1	*Members* may be removed from the *Association* or their membership suspended for:	
a.	Activities in violation of the *Association* 's aims as set out in Article II.	
b.	Violations of the *Association* 's *Statutes* and *Codes* .	

2	Decisions regarding removal from or suspension of *Membership* shall be made by the *Board* . When a *Board Member* is under scrutiny, they cannot take part in the relevant part of the Agenda of the deciding *Board Meeting* .	The amendment excludes a Board member subject to removal or suspension of membership from the relevant Board discussion.
3	Appeals against removal from or suspension of Membership shall be considered by three members of the *Appeal and Anti-Harassment Committee* . The *Appeal and Anti-Harassment Committee* shall consist of at least six *Full Members* of the *Association* appointed by the *Nomination Committee* for terms of three years, renewable without limit. In case of Appeal, the decision of the *Appeal and Anti-Harassment Committee* shall be final.	Clarification of the appeal procedure: the Appeal and Anti-Harassment Committee consider any appeals and prepare materials for the Board's consideration, but that the Board has the final decision. However, in case of appeal, the decision of the Appeal and Anti-Harassment Committee is final.
Article IX:	**Meetings and Voting**	
1	The *Annual Membership Business Meeting* of the *Association* shall be held at such time and place as the *Board* shall determine.	
2	*Special Meetings* of the *Association* may be called by the *Board* at any time, or shall be called by the *President* upon receipt of a written request by ten per cent of the ~~paid~~ *Full Individual* ~~*voting*~~ *Membership* at the time of the call, specifying the purpose of such a *Meeting* . At such a *Meeting* , no business shall be transacted except as specified in a notice to *Members* . The business for a *Special Meeting* called for within 120 days of the *Annual Membership Business Meeting* will automatically be assigned to the *Annual Membership Business Meeting* . Otherwise, a *Special Meeting* will take place within 90 days of the call, followed by *per rollam* voting. No more than one Special Meeting may be called by request of the membership in one twelve-month period.	The amendment establishes a clear timeframe for organising a Special Meeting and limits the number of Special Meetings that may be called by Members in a single year, reflecting the administrative and logistical capacity of the Board and Secretariat; the Board retains the capacity to call a further Special Meeting in the case of crisis or emergency.

3	The *Board* shall give notice of any *Meeting* of the *Association* ~~shall be given~~ to all *Full Individual Members* not less than sixty days prior to the date thereof (publishing the statement from those proposing a *Special Meeting*). The notice shall be sent to the *Members* electronically. The *Board* shall send all documents for any *Meeting* of the *Association* ~~will be sent~~ to *Full Individual Members* electronically at least fifteen days before the *Meeting* . The *Board* will decide whether the *Meeting* will be held with the personal participation of all *Members* or with the use of technical means. The format of any *Meeting* shall be stated in the written notice at latest. In the case of Article VI.5, notice and the issue of documents shall be handled by *Board Members* not affected by the procedure, or the *Nomination Committee* if all B*oard Members* are affected.	The amendment specifies the mechanism for organising a Special Meeting.
4	At any *Meeting* of the *Association* , only *Full Individual Members* shall have the right to vote. At any *Meeting* of the *Association* , voting will be performed *per rollam* . Voting by proxy is not possible.	
5	Upon the convening of any *Meeting* of the *Association* , a quorum for voting shall consist of five per cent of *Full Individual Members* ~~at the time the per rollam voting closes~~. A simple majority of votes received shall constitute the deciding vote. For votes of no-confidence, a vote in favour must receive 20 per cent of *Full Individual Members* ~~at the time the per rollam voting closes~~ (see Art.VI.5). The electoral body shall correspond to all *Full Individual Members* at the time the called *Meeting* is held, excluding newly registered *Members* and maintaining the right to vote of *Members* that should end their affiliation to EAA between the *Meeting* and the vote.	The amendment specifies the voting mechanism, including quorum, the deciding vote and the electoral body for any Meeting of the Association.
Article X:	**Publications**	

1	The *European Journal of Archaeology* (*EJA*) and other periodic and non-periodic publications published by the *Association* seek to promote open debate amongst archaeologists.	
2	The *EJA* and other periodic and non-periodic publications shall be produced by an *Editorial Board*, where relevant.	
3	The *Editorial Board* shall consist of the *Editor* and the *Ordinary Editorial Board Members*. The *Editor* and the *Ordinary Editorial Board Members* shall be *Full Individual Members* of the *Association*. There shall be not fewer than six and not more than twelve *Ordinary Editorial Board Members*. The *Editor* of an EAA publication shall be chairperson of the *Editorial Board*. The role of the *Editor* in relation with the *Publisher* will be determined in the specific *Publishing Agreement*, approved by the *Board* and signed by the *President*.	
4	The *Editor* of an EAA publication shall be appointed by the *Board* after advertisement of the position and prior evaluation of the candidates by the *Nomination Committee*. *Ordinary Editorial Board Members* shall be appointed by the *Board* in agreement with the *Editor*. The *Editor* shall be appointed for a term of three years, renewable without limit. The *Ordinary Editorial Board Members* shall rotate on a regular basis, according to a schedule to be determined by the *Board*.	
Article XI:	**Prizes and Honours**	
1	The *Association* shall encourage the creation of prizes, awards, and honours relevant to the aims set out in Article II.	
2	The *Association* shall institute the *European Archaeological Heritage Prize*, to be awarded periodically to an individual, institution, or local and regional government for an outstanding contribution to the protection and presentation of the European archaeological heritage.	

3	Institutions, organisations, and individuals who give substantial support to the Association may be awarded *Honorary Membership* .	
Article XII:	**Fiscal and Legal Procedures**	
1	The fiscal year of the *Association* shall be set by the *Board* .	
2	The *Board* may receive by devise, bequest, donation, or otherwise either real or personal property, or both, and hold the same absolutely or in trust, and invest, reinvest, and manage the same, and apply the said property and the income arising therefrom to the purposes of the *Association* , except where restricted by these *Statutes* .	
3	The income from annual subscriptions and from investment and other sources shall constitute the Working Fund, available for operating, publications, and other current expenses consistent with the objectives of the *Association* as the *Board* may direct.	
4	The *Board* shall adopt a budget each fiscal year.	
5	No *Officer* or *Ordinary Member* of the *Board* acting in that capacity shall receive compensation for services rendered to the *Association* exceeding the equivalent to half of the cost of the annual subscription of a *Full Regular Member* (Category A), per year. Insurance costs (if required) and travel expenses personally incurred by *Board Members* attending to the business of the *Association* shall be paid by the *Association* in accordance with the rules and procedures adopted by the *Board* .	
6	The *Treasurer* shall provide to the *Board* bi-annually a report of the finances of the *Association* . An annual financial report shall subsequently be published by the *Board* and approved by the *Annual Membership Business Meeting* as the supreme body in accordance with act. no. 89/2012 Coll.	
7	The *Board* shall appoint an independent certified public accountant to audit the financial records of the *Association* and submit an annual audit report.	

8	No financial obligation in excess of funds available shall be assumed by the *Board* or by any *Officer* on behalf of the *Association* except when approved by a two-thirds majority of the *Board* . For this purpose, estimated receipts from annual subscriptions and other accounts receivable in the current year may be considered as available funds.	
9	The *Board* may appoint legal counsel to act as general legal counsel and to advise in the legal affairs of the *Association* .	
10	The *Board* may appoint a member or an employee of the *Association* to act on behalf of the *Association* for any prescribed purpose, including to act on behalf of the entire Association, for such limited periods as it shall determine, but in no case for longer than a calendar year.	
11	Every *Officer* , *Ordinary Member* of the *Board* , employee of the *Association* , and such others as may be specified from time to time by the *Board* shall be indemnified by the *Association* against all expenses and liabilities, including legal fees, reasonably incurred or imposed upon them in connection with any proceedings to which they may be made a party or in which they may become involved, by reason of being or having been an *Officer* , *Ordinary Board Member* , or employee of the *Association* , or any settlement thereof, whether the individual is an *Officer* , *Ordinary Board Member* , or employee at the time such expenses are incurred, except in such cases where the individual is adjudged guilty of wilful misfeasance in the performance of duties. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to, and not exclusive of, all other rights to which the indemnified may be entitled.	
Article XIII:	**Interpretation**	

1	Any reference to ‘archaeology’, ‘archaeological’ or ‘cultural heritage’ in these *Statutes* shall be construed as relating to any material and immaterial traces of past lives, including their intangible dimensions, and Intangible Cultural Heritage, where they are the concern of any *Member* of the *Association*. In determining if a subject is ‘archaeological’ for the purposes of the *Statutes*, the widest possible interpretation shall be placed upon the meaning of what is ‘archaeological’.	This and the following point define the scope of 'archaeology' in the EAA context.
2	An archaeological concern for the purposes of these *Statutes* shall include advancing and protecting, as far as appropriate, the interests of those who practice archaeology, to the extent that such interests are relevant to the practice of archaeology. This includes the freedom to publish and communicate on archaeological matters without interference, and freedom of movement to attend professional and academic events.	
Article XIV:	**Dissolution**	
1	In the event of the dissolution of the *Association*, any funds or property remaining after the satisfaction of all outstanding debts and liabilities shall not be distributed to *Members* of the *Association* but shall be given or transferred to some other body or bodies having aims similar to those of the *Association* and which prohibit the distribution of income or property among its members. Such body or bodies shall be determined by the *Members* of the *Association* at or before the time of dissolution.	
Article XV:	**Amendments**	

1	Amendments to these *Statutes* may be proposed by the *Board* on its own initiative or upon petition by any fifty *Full Individual Members* of the *Association*. Such amendments shall be submitted to the *Secretary* and reviewed by a *Statutes Committee* of three F*ull Individual Members* of the Association appointed by the *Nomination Committee* for eventual submission of the amendments to the Membership at an *Annual Membership Business Meeting*. The term of office of members of the *Statutes Committee* shall be three years, consecutively renewable without limit. In case of retirement, or relinquishment for any reason of a member, the post will be re-appointed only for the remaining time of the term.	
2	Amendments to these *Statutes* shall be approved by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the five per cent quorum of *Full Individual Members* voting at any *Annual Membership Business Meeting* or *Special Meeting* or referendum of the *Associatio* n duly called, provided written notice of proposed changes have been sent to the *Members* thirty days before such a *Meeting* or referendum.	