Resolution Number: 200-2020

Title: ASDA Membership Dues Increase

Reference Committee Assignment: Membership and Education

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Executive Committee

Financial Impact: Yes

Board of Trustees Comments: The Board believes it is important to ensure the Association has the financial means to continue to support its mission. Historically, the Association has raised dues $3.00-$5.00 every three years in line with inflation. The $3.00 increase aligns with past dues increases and the CPI increase aligns with the Association's strategic plan for financial organizational sustainability. Therefore, the Board recommends a yes vote.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee recommends a yes vote.

Background: Per HOD 103-2004, ASDA national dues are considered on an annual basis by the Board of Trustees. The last dues increase was approved in 2017 and implemented in 2019. The organization will operate from 2019 until 2021 with no dues increase.

From the Bylaws Article III Membership, Section 4. Membership Dues:

Membership dues are determined by the House of Delegates. Membership runs on a calendar year from January 1 through December 31. Dues received after September 1 are applied to the following year’s membership. If dues are not processed by December 31, membership is forfeited until dues are paid.

A financial status review revealed that ASDA must recommend a dues increase to continue to support member services that include: advocacy efforts; expanded licensure initiatives to eliminate the live patient exam; strategic plan initiatives to expand membership recruitment and retention and member benefits; the development of new non-dues revenue sources; and the increase in the cost of operations due to inflation. A five year financial projection suggests a potential operating deficit that escalates in 2021. The dues trend has been to increase dues on a three year basis to cover the increase of operational costs. We recommend a dues increase to fund current initiatives and offset the potential deficit; therefore, be it

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that ASDA national dues for active predoctoral membership increase $3 from current established dues effective for the 2022 membership year and be it further

Resolved, that ASDA national dues for active predoctoral membership increase at the average of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) rounded to the nearest dollar for the 2023 membership year and on an annual basis until further notice, not to exceed 2% of the dues for the respective year.

Action: The Chair moves 200-2020 with a recommendation of a yes vote.

House Action: Adopted.
Resolution Number: 201-2020

Title: Amendment to Current Statements of Position or Policy E-8 ASDA Student Code of Ethics

Reference Committee Assignment: Membership and Education

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Council on Professional Issues

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: The board recommends a yes vote.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee recommends a yes vote.

Background: The Council on Professional Issues reviewed ASDA’s E-8 policy and agreed on modifications that would closer align the policy’s language and structure with the American Dental Association’s language and structure. This was achieved by providing a one-sentence definition of each category and separating the Nonmaleficence and Beneficence categories, and creating a separate category for Veracity. As a close partner to the American Dental Association, ASDA works to have aligned missions, positions and policies in order to present a unified voice within organized dentistry.

Additionally, two new lines specific to the dental student experience were added. The first is a line under the Beneficence section, encouraging a respectful and collaborative environment in education. The second is under the Veracity section, regarding conducting ethical research. Therefore, be it

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that the Current Statements of Position or Policy E-8 ASDA Student Code of Ethics be amended to read as follows:

The pathway to professional status is obtained through knowledge, skill, and experience with which students serve their patients and society. Every dentist should strive to continuously improve their knowledge of ethics in order to help achieve higher levels of patient care. These foundational ethical values will serve as a guideline throughout the dentist’s career, from predoctoral student to fully credentialed professional.

The American Student Dental Association recognizes the importance of high ethical standards in the dental school setting. Therefore, the Association believes students should conduct themselves in a manner reflecting integrity and fairness in both the didactic and clinical learning environments. The code outlined below relates most directly to the dental school environment. To gain a more expansive understanding of ethics in practice, please see the ADA Code of Ethics.

The following is the ASDA Code of Ethics:

I. Dental Student Conduct
   A. All dental students are obligated to maintain high standards of moral and ethical behavior and to conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times. This applies to the classroom, clinic, laboratory, and other institutional facilities; externships, community service, or meetings of professional organizations.
B. Ethical and professional behavior by dental students is characterized by honesty, compassion, kindness, fairness, and integrity, fairness and charity in all professional circumstances; respect for the rights, differences, and property of others; concern for the welfare of patients, competence in the delivery of care, and preservation of confidentiality in all situations where this is warranted.

C. All dental students are obligated to report unethical activity and violations of the honor code to the appropriate body at the school.

II. Patient Autonomy ("self-governance"). The student dentist has a duty to respect the patient’s rights to self-determination and confidentiality.

A. Informed Consent and Refusal
   1. Students should conduct a thorough discussion with every patient. This must be repeated whenever there are substantive changes or additions to the treatment plan. Discussion should include:
      a. Diagnoses
      b. Treatment Plan
      c. Prognosis
      d. Risks/Benefits
      e. Alternatives
      - The discussion should be in understandable terms and enable a reasonable patient in the patient’s position to make an informed decision regarding care, except in emergencies, when risks are unknown, commonly known or the patient waives the right of disclosure.
   2. Students should inform the patient of the consequences of not accepting treatment. The patient has a right to an informed refusal which should be honored by the student.

B. Patient Confidentiality
   1. Should follow HIPAA Guidelines.

III. Nonmaleficence ("do no harm") and Beneficence ("do good"). The student dentist has a duty to refrain from harming the patient.

A. The student should conduct him/herself with veracity (truthfulness). He/she should always act in a manner that promotes the welfare of patients and avoids harm to the patient.

B. Treatment plans should be determined according to patient needs as opposed to unmet requirements of the student.

C. No procedures should be started without instructor authorization, and all procedures should be evaluated by the instructor upon completion.

D. Referrals to residents, specialists, or staff members should be made when the complexity of the case exceeds the student’s ability to meet the standard of care. The referring student should inform the patient who will be responsible for dental maintenance and the reason for referral.

E. Students should exercise discretion in treating family members due to problems associated with medical history disclosure, confidentiality, objectivity, and professionalism.

F. Students must never perform dental procedures while in an impaired condition, regardless of the source of the impairment.

G. Students are encouraged to participate in community outreach programs in order to improve the dental health of the public.

H. Students should advocate access to care for patients who are unable to receive care due to physical or mental disability or financial hardship.

IV. Beneficence ("do good"). The student dentist has a duty to promote the patient’s welfare.

A. Students are encouraged to participate in community outreach programs in order to improve the dental health of the public.
B. Students should advocate access to care for patients who are unable to receive care due to physical or mental disability or financial hardship.

C. Student dentists will encourage an environment that supports respectful and collaborative relationships for all those involved in oral health care and education.

V. Justice ("fairness"). The student dentist has a duty to treat people fairly.
   A. Ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, national origin, disability, gender identity or infectious disease status should not influence whether or not a patient is accepted by a student to receive care. Furthermore, all patients should be treated with the same level of compassion, kindness and respect.
   B. Students must not discriminate against patients in high-risk behavior groups.
   C. The student should not cheat, plagiarize, forge, or falsify official records, patient charts, or examinations.
   D. The student should not participate in activities involving theft and/or vandalism of school or student property.
   E. Sexual harassment between colleagues, between health care provider and patient, and between students and faculty or residents is unacceptable and must be reported.
   F. Students must report suspected abuse/neglect of patients to an appropriate instructor.
   G. Students should exercise respect when working with human cadavers.
   H. Controlled substances
      1. Students have the responsibility of protecting the integrity of the profession by reporting any suspicions of unethical behavior.
      2. Students must never perform dental procedures while in an impaired condition, regardless of the source of the impairment.

VI. Veracity ("Truthfulness"). The student dentist has a duty to communicate truthfully.
   A. The student should not cheat, plagiarize, forge, or falsify official records, patient charts, or examinations.
   B. The student should not participate in activities involving theft and/or vandalism of school or student property.
   C. The student will conduct research in an ethical manner and abide by all guidelines set by their institution’s Institutional Review Board.
   D. Students have the responsibility of protecting the integrity of the profession by reporting any suspicions of unethical behavior.

VII. All members of the American Student Dental Association must comply with the ASDA Code of Ethics.

**Action:** The Chair moves 201-2020 with a recommendation of a yes vote and to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

**House Action:** Adopted.
Resolution Number: 202-2020

Title: Amendment to Current Statements of Position or Policy E-8 ASDA Student Code of Ethics, IV. Justice

Reference Committee Assignment: Membership and Education

Sponsor(s): Bradley Morgan
San Francisco
District 11 Legislative Liaison

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: The Board recommends a yes vote.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee recommends a yes vote.

Background: Our ASDA Student Code of Ethics (Policy E-8, Section IV, Item A) affirms the right of prospective patients to receive consideration for treatment that is independent of certain immutable personal characteristics including “Ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, national origin, disability, or infectious disease status.” While our current Policy is extensive, it is certainly not exhaustive. “Gender identification” and “gender expression” are included as examples of diversity in our Policy E-4, Sensitivity to Diversity, where we “recognize the unique challenges faced by these [and other] diverse populations,” yet they are missing from our Policy E-8. Thus, the intent of this resolution is to more closely align Policies E-4 and E-8 so that prospective patients may receive the same rights to non-discrimination based on gender identity and gender expression that are afforded to other diverse populations mentioned in Policy E-4; and therefore, be it

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that ASDA’s Current Statements of Position or Policy E-8 ASDA Student Code of Ethics be amended to read as follows:

IV. Justice (“fairness”)
Ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, national origin, disability, or infectious disease status should not influence whether or not a patient is accepted by a student to receive care. Furthermore, all patients should be treated with the same level of compassion, kindness and respect.

Action: The Chair moves 202-2020 with a recommendation of a yes vote and to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Action: Adopted.
Resolution Number: 203-2020

Title: California Northstate University College of Dental Medicine ASDA Chapter

Reference Committee Assignment: Membership and Education

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Executive Committee

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: The Board recommends a yes vote.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee recommends a yes vote.

Background: Per the House of Delegates Standing Rules, new ASDA chapters must be approved by the House of Delegates. California Northstate University College of Dental Medicine is seeking accreditation from the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) to open in fall 2020. Approving the creation of a chapter at this new program will allow national ASDA to put resource towards supporting the formation of an ASDA chapter during the 2020-2021 school year.

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that California Northstate University College of Dental Medicine be recognized as an ASDA chapter pending completion of the requirements as stated in the Standing Rules of the House of Delegates and confirmation by the board of trustees.

Action: The Chair moves 203-2020 with a recommendation of a yes vote and to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Action: Adopted.
Resolution Number: 204-2020

Title: Patient Vaccine Education

Reference Committee Assignment: Membership and Education

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Council on Advocacy

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: The board recommends a yes vote.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee recommends a yes vote.

Background: The number of children who have not received vaccines for preventable diseases has quadrupled since 2001, to an estimated 100,000 individuals, according to a report released by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). It is important for dental schools to play an active role in patient vaccine education to the patient populations they serve, therefore be it

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that The American Student Dental Association supports compliance with current Center for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines for vaccinations, and be it further;

Resolved, that ASDA recommends that dental schools urge patients to follow CDC guidelines for vaccinations, and be it further;

Resolved, that ASDA encourages dental schools to provide patient education on vaccinations as a scientifically-proven safe and effective measure of preventing communicable diseases.

Action: The Chair moves 204-2020 with a recommendation of a yes vote and to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Action: Adopted.
Resolution Number: 206-2020

Title: Amendment to Current Statements of Position or Policy ‘E-4 Sensitivity to Diversity’

Reference Committee Assignment: Membership and Education

Sponsor(s):
- Michael J. Rosales, Roseman University (RU) ASDA Legislative Liaison
- Logan Passey, University of Utah (UU) ASDA Legislative Liaison
- Olivia Kaloo, RU ASDA Legislative Committee Co-Chair, RU National Student Research Group President-Elect, RU ASDA Historian Co-Chair
- Danny Huynh, RU ASDA President
- Megan Speirs, UU ASDA President
- Shaylee Avery, UU ASDA President-Elect
- Portia Cao, University of Washington (UW) ASDA President
- Nadine El Ayouty, Lucy Hobbs Initiative RU Chapter Founder
- Marivic De Leon, RU Lucy Hobbs Initiative Board, RU ASDA Oral Cancer Foundation Chair
- Jonathan Wong, RU ASDA Vice-President
- Priscilla Leung, RU ASDA Pre-Dental Chair
- J. Vicky Park, RU Hispanic Student Dental Association President
- Jennie Yates, RU Special Care Dentistry Association President
- Tammy Pham, RU ASDA Immediate Past President, Gold Grown Advisor
- Daniel J. Bonanno, RU President of C/O 2022
- Janice Mach, RU ASDA Secretary
- Parth Kansagra, RU ASDA Treasurer
- Georgia Mitchell, RU ASDA Legislative Committee, Policy Editor
- Ayrton Sanguino, Council on Communications, Video Production Manager
- Breanna Buchman, RU Student Professionalism and Ethics Association Vice President
- Madeleine Carlborg, RU ASDA Vendor Relations Co-Chair
- Han Tran, RU ASDA Vendor Relations Co-Chair
- Rita Yu, RU ASDA Social Co-Chair
- Neal Phuatrakoon, RU ASDA Historian Co-Chair
- Gatlin Marks, RU ASDA Health and Wellness Co-Chair
- Matthew Smidt, RU ASDA Health and Wellness Co-Chair, RU AGD Vice President
- Joshua Kabin, RU ASDA Legislative Committee Co-Chair
- Kaylee Brea, RU ASDA Communications Chair
- Kaylee Young, RU ASDA Legislative Committee
- Bryce Frandsen, RU ASDA Legislative Committee
- Sommayah Sayed, RU American Dental Education Association D2 Representative
- Brooke Corrigan, RU HSDA Treasurer
- Hazel Williamson, RU ASDA Legislative Committee
- Alaina Hansen, RU ASDA Legislative Committee
- Tiffany Leuthner, RU ASDA Legislative Committee
- Britney Cruz, RU ASDA Legislative Committee
- Mary Hannah Winstead, RU ASDA Legislative Committee
- Ting Wang, RU ASDA Legislative Committee
- Andrew Jefferson, Roseman Possibilities Team
- A. Kirk Van Orden, RU C/O 2022
- Karli Wilson, RU C/O 2022
**Financial Impact:** None

**Board of Trustees Comments:** Received after the deadline.

**Reference Committee Comments:** The Reference Committee recommends a yes vote.

**Background:**
ASDA currently has no policy in place to address the need for different sizing options in equipment for the changing demographics in dentistry. The most easily identifiable need for variable sizing in dental equipment was published in the American Dental Association News in 2016 titled “Women in dentistry see progress, continued challenges.”

The article stated:

“With ergonomics, dental equipment companies are finally figuring out that there’s a market to make tools designed for women, from syringes to chairs. For decades, women dentists have had to use equipment often too large or too bulky for comfort. . . The rise of number of women has definitely helped companies address this need.”

There is no doubt that the demographics of dentistry are shifting. According to the ADA Health Policy Institute, in 2018, women accounted for 50.8% of first year enrollment for the first time in history. Additionally, “the number of women entering the dental profession is increasing in most countries.”

This shift requires that we encourage dental schools to address ergonomics for a larger range of physical dimensions than were previously addressed.

Ergonomics is a particularly important subject because “International dental literature shows that about 65% of dentists, that means 2 out of every 3 dentists, have musculoskeletal complaints which vary in severity, but involve one or more of the following: discomfort, pain, hindrance in functioning and loss of working time.” This can ultimately lead to a considerable risk in disability. Furthermore, data published regarding dental students in San Francisco showed that the “percentage of students experiencing this pain, measured from first to the third year, rose to about 70% and the persistence, duration and frequency of pain also increased.”

Dental companies have already started engineering equipment designed for smaller frames. Variable sized syringes are available to fit hands of varying sizes and allow easier control and aspiration. Also, stools are being redesigned. In an article from June, 2018 titled “The Art of Humaneering: Designing a Better Stool for Women,” the author stated that “Currently, most seat pans in the industry are too deep for the average woman’s measurement.” This results in the practitioner “sitting on the leading edge of the seat pan” resulting in 1) no back supports, 2) restriction of blood flow to the lower leg, and

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2 Id.
5 Id.
3) sore pressure points on tailbones and hip joints. In addition, after surveying “hundreds of female dental professionals in their work environment, [they] also saw a slumping of the lower lumbar region of the user’s back from no back support . . . feet that could not be placed flat on the floor because the stool would not go low enough, and . . . complaints of feet tingling from a lack of proper blood flow.”

Therefore, where there has been a proven need, and equipment has been created to address that need, dental schools should be encouraged to provide equipment for the safety and comfort of their students; therefore be it

RESOLUTION


The American Student Dental Association believes dental schools should ensure all students, faculty, staff and administration are sensitive to the diversity of their colleagues and patients.

ASDA defines diversity as ‘differences among individual characteristics, professional choices or demographics including, but not limited to: race, religion, ethnic background, gender, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, gender identification and gender expression.’ ASDA recognizes the unique challenges faced by these diverse populations.

ASDA believes dental schools should provide a safe and inclusive environment for all students, faculty, staff and administration. Sexist, discriminatory or insensitive language and practices are unacceptable.

ASDA supports and encourages the incorporation of diversity training and cultural competence as part of dental education. ASDA also encourages the recruitment and retention of diverse dental student populations in organized dentistry.

ASDA supports and encourages equity for all students within dental education, which includes equipment and facility accommodations where appropriate to ensure student safety and comfort.

ASDA supports reasonable academic accommodations for religious and cultural observances.

ASDA supports efforts to reduce barriers to care for diverse populations.

Action: The Chair moves 206-2020 with a recommendation of a yes vote.

House Action: Adopted.

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7 Id.
8 Id.
Resolution Number: 207-2020

Title: Amendment to Current Statement of Position or Policy B-8 Dental Outreach Programs

Reference Committee Assignment: Membership and Education

Sponsor(s): Jake Fooks, University of Louisville School of Dentistry, Alternate Delegate

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: Received after the deadline.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee does not believe there is enough information. They believe that the 2020-2021 Council on Professional Issues should study the practicality of awarding credits at each school, and cross-reference CODA standards. They ask the council to report back to the House of Delegates in 2021. Therefore, the Reference Committee recommends referral.

Background: Every year our school sends students on an international service trip where they provide important dental services to communities in need. These students operate under the supervision of a faculty member that assures the quality provided abroad is held the same standards as in our own clinics. Therefore, I think dental schools should award these students with credit for those clinical procedures performed abroad that is applicable towards their clinical graduation requirements; therefore, be it

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that the Current Statements of Position or Policy B-8 Dental Outreach Programs be amended to read as follows:

For students, U.S. dental schools and predental programs that participate in a dental outreach program (e.g., international service trips, domestic service trips, volunteerism in underserved areas, etc.) it is strongly encouraged:

a. To adhere to the ASDA Code of Ethics and the ADA Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct;
b. To be directly supervised by dentists licensed to practice in the United States or by faculty at a U.S. CODA-accredited dental school;
c. To perform only procedures for which the volunteer has received proper education and training.
d. To award students with credit for any of the clinical experiences provided that may be applicable towards their school’s graduation requirements.

Action: The Chair moves resolution 207-2020 with a recommendation to refer to the 2020-2021 Council on Professional Issues to study the practicality of awarding credits at each school, cross-reference CODA standards and report back to the House of Delegates in 2021.

House Action: Referred to the 2020-21 Council on Professional Issues to study the practicality of awarding credits at each school, cross-reference CODA standards and report back to the House of Delegates in 2021.
Resolution Number: 300-2020

Title: Amendment to Current Statements of Position or Policy I-1 Fluoridation

Reference Committee Assignment: Professional Issues and Licensure

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Council on Advocacy

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: The Board recommends a yes vote.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee recommends a yes vote.

Background: According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in the United States, water fluoridation is not the only form of fluoride delivery that is effective in preventing tooth decay in people of all ages. ASDA’s policy should be updated to reflect the effectiveness of other fluoridated products as well as emphasize the importance of appropriate levels of fluoridated water supplies.

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that ASDA’s Current Statements of Position or Policy I-1 Fluoridation be amended to read as follows:

The American Student Dental Association encourages the fluoridation of community water supplies at appropriate levels. This is a scientifically-proven safe and effective means of preventing dental decay as recommended by the U.S. Public Health Service. ASDA supports the use of fluoridated products as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Action: The Chair moves 300-2020 with a recommendation of a yes vote and to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Action: Adopted.
Resolution Number: 301-2020

Title: Tobacco, Vaping and Alternatives

Reference Committee Assignment: Professional Issues and Licensure

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Council on Advocacy

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: The board recommends a yes vote.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee recommends a yes vote.

Background: According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, as of Dec. 2019, 55 deaths have been confirmed in 27 states and the District of Columbia as a result of e-cigarette or vaping product usage. The Council on Advocacy believes there is a need for more research on the effects of vaping products and alternatives; therefore be it

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that The American Student Dental Association discourages the use of tobacco, e-cigarettes, vaping products and alternatives. ASDA encourages federal research agencies to dedicate more resources to better understand the effects of these products on oral health and to develop evidence-based recommendations.

Action: The Chair moves 301-2020 with the recommendation of a yes vote.

House Action: Adopted.
Resolution Number: 303S1-2020

Title: Board Substitute, Amendment to Current Statements of Position or Policy I-3 Smoking Ban at ASDA Functions

Reference Committee Assignment: Professional Issues and Licensure

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Board of Trustees

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: The Board believes language referring to tobacco, vaping products and alternatives should be consistent throughout ASDA’s policy. The Board is in favor of the 2019-20 Council on Advocacy policy recommendation, therefore recommends a substitute.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee recommends a yes vote.

Background: Given recent national reports and findings proving the detrimental effects resulting from the use of electronic cigarettes and/or vaping devices, as well as the stance taken by the American Dental Association the verbiage of the I-3 Policy was updated to reflect such so we as dental students continue to promote effective oral health outcomes; therefore be it

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that the Current Statements of Position or Policy I-3 Smoking Ban at ASDA Functions be amended to read as follows:

The American Student Dental Association prohibits of the use of tobacco, e-cigarettes, vaping products and alternatives all forms of smoking, including but not limited to traditional, electronic, and vaping delivery systems, and the use of all forms of tobacco and nicotine at its national meetings.

Action: The Chair moves 303S1-2020 with the recommendation of a yes vote.

House Action: Referred to the 2020-21 Council on Professional Issues to study the implications of banning vaping products and alternatives at national meetings and determine if this policy needs to be revised to be in alignment with ASDA’s E-4 Sensitivity to Diversity policy. The 2020-21 Council on Professional Issues will report back at the 2021 House of Delegates meeting.
Resolution Number: 304S1-2020

Title: Board Substitute, Amendment to Current Statements of Position or Policy I-4 Prohibition of Smoking in All Dental School Facilities

Reference Committee Assignment: Professional Issues and Licensure

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Board of Trustees

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: The Board believes language referring to tobacco, vaping products and alternatives should be consistent throughout ASDA’s policy. The Board is in favor of the 2019-20 Council on Advocacy policy recommendation, therefore recommends a substitute.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee recommends a yes vote.

Background: Given recent national reports and findings proving the detrimental effects resulting from the use of electronic cigarettes and/or vaping devices, as well as the stance taken by the American Dental Association the verbiage of the I-4 Policy was updated to reflect such so we as dental students continue to promote effective oral health outcomes for our patients; therefore be it

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that the Current Statements of Position or Policy I-4 Prohibition of Smoking in All Dental School Facilities be amended to read as follows:

The American Student Dental Association supports the prohibition of tobacco, e-cigarettes, vaping products and alternatives all forms of smoking, including but not limited to traditional, electronic, and vaping delivery systems, in all dental school facilities and supports the offering of smoking cessation programs at all dental schools.

Action: The Chair moves 304S1-2020 with the recommendation of a yes vote and to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Action: Adopted.
Resolution Number: 400RC-2020

Title: Amendment to the Bylaws, Article IV Governance, Section 2, Board of Trustees

Reference Committee Assignment: Governance

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Governance Committee

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: Currently, the Editor-in-Chief is the only non-elected student member of the Board of Trustees. The board believes that as the strategic governing body of the association, all student leaders of the Board of Trustees should be elected. The Editorial Board is a standing committee of the association, therefore it’s not appropriate or necessary for the operations of the board to have the chair (Editor-in-Chief) of a standing committee sit on the board. By removing the Editor-in-Chief from the board, the Editor-in-Chief will be better able to focus on its duties to the editorial board. The Editor-in-Chief will still have the opportunity to report to the Board at the Spring and Fall Council Meetings or at any time by board invitation. Furthermore, a board liaison will be appointed to the editorial board. Therefore, the board strongly recommends a ‘Yes’ vote.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee believes the addition of the resolving clause clarifies the timeline in which the amendment will take effect. Therefore the reference committee recommends this resolution be adopted in lieu of resolution 400-2020.

Background: The Editor in Chief is the only non-elected student member of the board. With the exception of the Executive Director, the board should be comprised of elected members. The board is the strategic governing body of the association and is responsible for the administration and management of the association, therefore it should be comprised of elected members. This will be effective starting with the 2021-22 leadership cycle.

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that the Bylaws, Article IV Governance, Section 2, Board of Trustees be amended as follows:

Section 2. Board of Trustees

A. Members

The Board of Trustees consists of the president, the vice presidents, the executive director, the speaker of the House of Delegates, the immediate past president, the
editor-in-chief
and district trustees. The executive director, the speaker of the House of Delegates, and the immediate past president and the editor-in-chief are non-voting ex officio members of the Board of Trustees.

And be it further;

Resolved, that this becomes effective at the conclusion of 2020-21 leadership cycle.

Action: The Chair moves to adopt 400RC-2020 in lieu of 400-2020 and to be placed on the Consent Calendar.
House Action: Adopted.
Resolution Number: 401-2020

Title: Amendment to the Standing Rules of the House of Delegates, Section 7. Elections, B. Election Code of Conduct

Reference Committee Assignment: Governance

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Governance Committee

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: The Board believes that due to the relationships between candidates for elected office and the current officers of the association, that the Election Committee be the body that oversees potential violations of the election code of conduct in order to promote fairness and remove the potential for delegates to perceive bias. Therefore, the board recommends a yes vote.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee recommends a yes vote.

Background: Currently the officers of the association are charged with monitoring and evaluating potential campaign violations. To remove any perception of bias, the officers should not be the ones determining campaign violations. This should be reviewed by the Election Committee made up of the secretary of the house, three members of the association and a member from a dental organization other than ASDA.

Currently the only action to take if a campaign violation occurs is to remove the candidate from the ballot. It is important to have other options for the Election Committee to consider when evaluating the severity of the campaign violation; therefore be it

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that the Standing Rules of the House of Delegates, Section 7. Elections, B. Election Code of Conduct be amended to read as follows:

B. Election Code of Conduct

All Executive Committee and speaker of the House of Delegates candidates must agree to the following guidelines before beginning their election campaigns. The intent of these guidelines is to encourage fair campaigning by ASDA members and maintain dignified and courteous conduct.

i. Candidates and their supporters shall not use ASDA central office stationery or business cards issued by the central office to promote and support a candidate. However, the use of the official ASDA logo on campaign materials is permitted.

ii. Candidates and their supporters should focus the campaign on positive attributes rather than on negative characteristics of the opposing candidates. Candidates shall not, and shall not cause or request their supporters to, make negative personal comments against their opponents.

iii. There shall be no packaged food, other gifts or campaign tokens distributed or used by the candidates as part of the candidates’ campaigns. These items include but are not
limited to badges, clothing, pins, and other small campaign tokens with the candidate’s name, signs, banners or printed material.

iv. Entertaining by the candidates will not be permitted in any suite or meeting room reserved or funded by ASDA.

v. A candidate may solicit a delegate or alternate delegate by phone, mail, e-mail, social media or fax. The ASDA central office will not provide any of this information.

vi. Candidates are only permitted to use their own personal funds for their campaign.

vii. Third party endorsements (such as corporate sponsors or other professional organizations) are not allowed.

viii. Candidates must not loiter near ballot boxes during the specified voting time.

ix. Candidates are ineligible to be members of reference committees or awards committees that convene at Annual Session.

In the event that the Board of Trustees adopts a resolution related to the candidacy of an individual member seeking an Executive Committee or speaker of the house position, trustees must provide the aforementioned resolution to their caucuses during the first caucus following the board decision. The candidate must be informed of the resolution prior to the first caucus meetings following the board decision so that the candidate may choose to address this issue during the candidate’s speech and/or caucus forums. The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees may address the House of Delegates in regards to this issue if they deem it necessary.

The Election Committee as outlined in Section 7. G. Election Committee officers of the association shall be charged with the implementation and monitoring of these guidelines and has the power to remove a candidate from the ballot. Upon receipt of a written complaint, or upon initiation of a review of campaign-related material, the Election Committee officers shall determine if a violation has occurred. If a violation has occurred, the Election Committee can choose to take no action, request that the candidate discontinue their behavior, request that the candidate discontinue their behavior and provide a report to the House of Delegates or remove the candidate from the ballot and provide a report to the House of Delegates. The president shall send written notification of the violation to the candidate. Any candidate so adjudicated shall have an automatic right of an expedited appeal to the Election Committee officers via electronic meeting or other timely means. If a violation has occurred, as determined through this process, the candidate shall be deemed to have forfeited their status as a candidate and may not be elected to office in the subsequent election. Any officer that is a candidate must declare a conflict of interest.

Each Executive Committee or speaker of the house candidate must be officially nominated by a person of their choice at the House of Delegates Business Meeting II scheduled on Thursday morning. An official candidate shall be formally nominated on the floor of the House of Delegates. Candidates that did not meet the established application deadline may be nominated after the nomination of official candidates. All candidates must be nominated by a predoctoral member who is not a current or former national leader. Nomination is not required for eligibility. Nominators will be allowed 1 minute maximum to nominate and introduce their candidate, including a brief explanation of the candidate’s experience and previous ASDA positions held. Should there be fewer than three official candidates for the Executive Committee or fewer than one official candidate for speaker of the house, it is the responsibility of the House to nominate someone from the floor. Each Executive Committee and speaker of the house candidate must also designate a guide who will serve as a neutral party and escort each candidate through the caucuses. The guide will be responsible for monitoring the door and time.
Each candidate receives a copy of these guidelines and a statement to sign, certifying that they have read the guidelines; promises to abide by them; will immediately report any deviations of which they become aware to the Election Committee officers of the association; and will notify and try to correct any supporter upon learning of an actual or potential deviation.

**Action:** The Chair moves 401-2020 with a recommendation of a yes vote and to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

**House Action:** Adopted.
Resolution Number: 40251-2020

Title: Board Substitute, Amendment to the Standing Rules of the House of Delegates, Section 7. Elections, B. Election Code of Conduct

Reference Committee Assignment: Governance

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Board of Trustees

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: The Board agrees with further outlining items that cannot be distributed by candidates. However, trustees that hold their meetings later in the leadership cycle would not be able to invite trustees running for elected office to assist with district meeting programming. Therefore the Board recommends a substitute.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee asserts national leaders depend on other national leaders to provide cost-effective content at District programming during the application process. Therefore trustees who implement programming later in the national leadership cycle would experience undue financial and logistical burdens. Furthermore, Districts are separate legal entities and national ASDA cannot regulate the allocation of District funds. Therefore the Reference Committee recommends a yes vote.

Background: The Executive Committee and Speaker of the House of the American Student Dental Association not only serve to represent us as dental students nationally, but play a critical role and are responsible for managing the association’s business, enacting and seeking completion of our strategic plan(s), and maintaining a fiscally sound organization. As such, the election process and protocol that all candidates who desire to ascertain such positions sign on to should be taken seriously, following our Election Code of Conduct closely. The proposed amendments outlined below seek to reaffirm that we are doing everything possible as an organization to maintain a fair, equitable, and just process for any person interested in running for one of these said positions; therefore be it

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that ASDA’s Standing Rules of the House of Delegates, Section 7 ‘Elections, B. Election Code of Conduct’ be amended to read as follows:

All Executive Committee and speaker of the House of Delegates candidates must agree to the following guidelines before beginning their election campaigns. The intent of these guidelines is to encourage fair campaigning by ASDA members and maintain dignified and courteous conduct

  i. Candidates and their supporters shall not use ASDA central office stationery or business cards issued by the central office to promote and support a candidate. However, the use of the official ASDA logo on campaign materials is permitted.

  ii. Candidates and their supporters should focus the campaign on positive attributes rather than on negative characteristics of the opposing candidates. Candidates shall not, and shall not cause or request their supporters to, make negative personal comments against their opponents.

  iii. There shall be no packaged food, other gifts or campaign tokens distributed or used by the candidates as part of the candidates’ campaigns. These items should include but are not limited
to badges, nametag ribbons, clothing, pins, and other small ever form of campaign tokens with the candidate’s name, slogan(s), catch phrase(s), signs, banners or printed material.

iv. Entertaining by the candidates will not be permitted in any suite or meeting room reserved or funded by ASDA.

v. A candidate may solicit a delegate or alternate delegate by phone, mail, e-mail, social media or fax. The ASDA central office will not provide any of this information.

vi. Candidates are only permitted to use their own personal funds for their campaign. Thereafter the deadline established by ASDA to submit an application for candidacy, personal funding for a campaign should include but not be limited to any and all travel and registration expenses (i.e. to District meetings), promotional content, etc.

vii. Third party endorsements (such as corporate sponsors or other professional organizations) are not allowed.

viii. Candidates must not loiter near ballot boxes during the specified voting time.

ix. Candidates are ineligible to be members of reference committees or awards committees that convene at Annual Session.

In the event that the Board of Trustees adopts a resolution related to the candidacy of an individual member seeking an Executive Committee or speaker of the House position, trustees must provide the aforementioned resolution to their caucuses during the first caucus following the board decision. The candidate must be informed of the resolution prior to the first caucus meetings following the board decision so that the candidate may choose to address this issue during the candidate’s speech and/or caucus forums. The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees may address the House of Delegates in regards to this issue if they deem it necessary.

The officers of the association shall be charged with the implementation and monitoring of these guidelines and has the power to remove a candidate from the ballot. Upon receipt of a written complaint, or upon initiation of a review of campaign-related material, the officers shall determine if a violation has occurred. If a violation has occurred the president shall send written notification of the violation to the candidate. Any candidate so adjudicated shall have an automatic right of an expedited appeal to the officers via electronic meeting or other timely means. If a violation has occurred, as determined through this process, the candidate shall be deemed to have forfeited his or her status as a candidate and may not be elected to office in the subsequent election. Any officer that is a candidate must declare a conflict of interest.

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Each candidate receives a copy of these guidelines and a statement to sign, certifying that he/she has read the guidelines; promises to abide by them; will immediately report any deviations of which he/she
becomes aware to the officers of the association; and will notify and try to correct any supporter upon learning of an actual or potential deviation.

**Action:** The Chair moves 40251-2020 with a recommendation of yes vote and to be placed the Consent Calendar.

**House Action:** Adopted.
Resolution Number: 403RC-2020

Title: Amendment to the Bylaws Article VI Governance, Section 3. Executive Committee

Reference Committee Assignment: Governance

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Governance Committee

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: The Speaker of the House is elected by the House of Delegates and is an officer of the association, therefore the board believes that it would serve the association best to have the Speaker of the House serve as a member of the Executive Committee to aid with Executive Committee business. As the parliamentarian, the speaker of the house should be a non-voting member of the Executive Committee. Therefore, the board recommends a yes vote.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee believes the addition of the resolving clause clarifies the timeline in which the amendment will take effect. Therefore the Reference Committee recommends this resolution be adopted in lieu of resolution 403-2020.

Background: As an officer of the association, the Speaker of the House should serve as a non-voting member of the Executive Committee to aid with Executive Committee business; therefore be it

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that the Bylaws Article VI Governance, Section 3. Executive Committee be amended to read as follows:

Section 3. Executive Committee

A. Members

The Executive Committee consists of the president, the vice presidents, the speaker of the house and the executive director. The executive director and speaker of the house are non-voting ex-officio members of the Executive Committee.

B. Powers

The Executive Committee administers and manages association business between meetings of the Board of Trustees. Policy decisions are subject to approval by the Board of Trustees.

C. Duties

The duties of the Executive Committee include:

i. Review the association’s budget and oversee fiscal planning
ii. Appoint leaders as indicated by the Standing Rules of the Board of Trustees
iii. Fulfill the directives of the House of Delegates
iv. Other duties as may be indicated by the Standing Rules of the House of Delegates and the Standing Rules of the Board of Trustees
D. Meetings

The Executive Committee determines its own meetings.

And be it further;

Resolved, that this becomes effective at the conclusion of 2021 Annual Session.

Action: The Chair moves to adopt 403RC-2020 in lieu of 403-2020 and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Action: Adopted.
Resolution Number: 404RC-2020

Title: Amendment to the Bylaws Article IV Leadership, Section 1. Officers, C. Speaker of the House of Delegates

Reference Committee Assignment: Governance

Sponsor(s): 2019-20 Governance Committee

Financial Impact: None

Board of Trustees Comments: The Speaker of the House is elected by the House of Delegates and is an officer of the association, therefore the board believes that it would serve the association best to have the Speaker of the House serve as a non-voting member of the Executive Committee to aid with Executive Committee business. Should a vacancy in the position arise, the position should be filled in the same manner as that of a vacancy for Vice President. Therefore, the board recommends a ‘Yes’ vote.

Reference Committee Comments: The Reference Committee believes the addition of the resolving clause clarifies the timeline in which the amendment will take effect. Therefore the reference committee recommends this resolution be adopted in lieu of resolution 404-2020.

Background: As an officer of the association, the Speaker of the House should serve as a non-voting member of the Executive Committee. If a vacancy arises, the position should be filled in the same manner a vice president vacancy is filled; therefore be it

RESOLUTION

Resolved, that the Bylaws Article IV Leadership, Section 1. Officers, C. Speaker of the House of Delegates be amended to read as follows:

C. Speaker of the House of Delegates

i. Duties

The duties of the speaker of the house include:
   a. Chairperson of the House of Delegates
   b. Parliamentarian of the association
   c. Review association governance documents
   d. Other duties as may be indicated by the Standing Rules of the House of Delegates

ii. Voting Privileges

The speaker of the house is a non-voting member of the Board of Trustees and Executive Committee.

iii. Vacancy
If a vacancy in the office of speaker of the house arises, the Board of Trustees will nominate predoctoral member candidates for this position. Upon notification, the member must submit an application by the established deadline to be considered. The Board of Trustees elects a speaker of the house to fill the vacancy by a majority vote. The new speaker serves until one can be elected at the following House of Delegates. If the speaker of the house is temporarily unable to fulfill his/her duties, the Executive Committee appoints a speaker pro tem.

And be it further;

Resolved, that this go into effect at the conclusion of 2021 Annual Session.

Action: The Chair moves to adopt 404RC-2020 in lieu of 404-2020 and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Action: Adopted.