

# AAPM BYLAWS MODERNIZATION PROPOSAL

What Every Member Needs to Know

## What's Happening?

The AAPM Board of Directors has approved a proposal to modernize AAPM's bylaws — the first comprehensive update since 1965, when the organization had approximately 200 members.

**Today, AAPM has over 10,000 members. Our governing documents should reflect that.**

**As a Member, you have the opportunity to review, discuss, and vote.**

## Why Now?

- DC nonprofit law requires updates
- Outdated language creates ambiguity
- Virtual meetings need formal authorization
- Governance should reflect AAPM in 2026

## Key Changes at a Glance

- **Board meets at least twice a year** (was once)
- **Virtual participation officially authorized** (already your reality)
- **Members can call special meetings** (new right: 25% can petition)
- **Members can remove Directors by vote** (new accountability measure)
- **Secretary may now serve up to two terms, bringing the Secretary in line with the Treasurer**
- **Operational details move to flexible RULES** (no bylaw vote needed for operations)
- **51 total documented changes** (most are housekeeping & legal compliance)

## What Stays the Same

- ✓ Your voting rights
- ✓ Board structure and size
- ✓ Basic officer structure
- ✓ Board structure, size, and chapter representation — unchanged
- ✓ Dues approval by member vote
- ✓ Democratic member governance

## Your Timeline

- **June 9: Materials Available**  
Review the proposed bylaws, summary of changes, FAQ, and peer comparison at [here](#).
- **July 9, 3:30–5 pm ET: Annual Business Meeting**  
Join the virtual discussion — share your perspective, ask questions, and submit formal comments. Register [here](#)
- **July – August: Member Q&A Sessions**  
Two virtual sessions for extended Q&A with the Governance Committee. Registration coming soon!
- **By September 9: Your Ballot Arrives**  
All Voting Members in good standing receive a secret ballot — 15–30 days to vote
- **Fall 2026: Results Announced**  
Two-thirds of ballots received required for adoption

### Read More

Full summary, FAQ, and peer comparison available [here](#).

### Have a Question?

Review the FAQ, attend the Town Hall, or the July or August Q & A Sessions

### Submit Your View

Click [here](#) to formally state your support or opposition before the vote