

Final Acceptance of Changes to By-laws

During the AGM of 2004, the changes that needed to be to the constitution and by-laws were agreed upon. These changes were submitted to members for a postal ballot, and the changes were unanimously voted in. The constitutional and by-law changes came into effect immediately when the results of the postal ballot were known however, the constitution requires that the changes to the by-laws be submitted to the next AGM for final approval. The **old** clauses appear on the left and the **current** clauses, which have to be accepted appear on the right. The current version of the constitution and by-laws is available from <http://www.sajp.org.za> or on request from the Secretary, if you do not have access to the website.

<i>Clause affected</i>	<i>Old</i>	<i>Current</i>
ByL-2.4.	A person whose membership privileges have lapsed in terms of paragraph 2.2 or been terminated in terms of paragraph 2.3 may apply for reinstatement, and the Council, after review of his professional record, may reinstate him after payment of the outstanding fees, or on such conditions as Council may decide.	A person whose membership privileges have lapsed in terms of paragraph 2.2 or been terminated in terms of paragraph 2.3 may apply for reinstatement, and Council, after review of his/her professional record, may reinstate him/her after payment of the outstanding fees, or on such conditions as Council may decide.
ByL-3.1.	The notice announcing the General Meeting at which a newly elected Council is to take office, in accordance with clause 8.2.1 of the Constitution, shall call for nominations to the Council. The notice shall include the name of the member appointed by Council in terms of paragraph 5.3 of the Constitution.	The notice announcing the General Meeting at which a newly elected Council is to take office, in accordance with clause 8.2.1 of the Constitution, shall call for nominations to Council.
ByL-3.2.	The notice of paragraph 3.1 shall be sent by post to all voting members at least eighty days before the date of the meeting.	The notice of paragraph 3.1 shall be sent to all voting members at least eighty days before the date of the meeting.
ByL-3.3.	<p>Nominations will be requested for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a Secretary (b) a Treasurer (c) six other members of the Council. <p>The same person may be nominated under any of the categories.</p>	<p>Nominations will be requested from voting members for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a Secretary (b) a Treasurer (c) a President Elect (d) four other members of Council. <p>The same person may be nominated under any of the categories.</p> <p>Nominations will be requested from Student Members for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (e) a Student Member on Council

ByL-3.4.	<p>Nominations of candidates for the Council shall reach the Secretary at least fifty days before the date of the meeting. Such nominations shall bear the signatures of proposer and seconder and shall be accompanied by a signed acceptance of the nomination by the nominee.</p> <p>The Secretary shall prepare ballot papers in which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the names of the candidates for Secretary; (b) the names of the candidates for Treasurer; <p>shall respectively appear in alphabetical order.</p>	<p>Nominations of candidates for Council shall reach the Secretary at least thirty days before the date of the meeting. Such nominations shall bear the signatures of proposer and seconder and shall be accompanied by a signed acceptance of the nomination by the nominee.</p> <p>The Secretary shall prepare ballot papers for voting members in which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the names of the candidates for Secretary; (b) the names of the candidates for Treasurer; (c) the names of the candidates for President-Elect; (d) the names of the candidates for Members of Council <p>shall respectively appear in alphabetical order.</p> <p>The Secretary shall prepare ballot papers for Student members in which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (e) the names of candidates for the Student Member <p>shall appear in alphabetical order.</p>
ByL-3.5.	The Secretary shall send out ballot papers for Secretary and Treasurer not less than forty-five days before the meeting mentioned in paragraph 3.1	The Secretary shall send out the ballot papers, in the manner laid down in Section 8 of the by-laws not less than twenty-five days before the meeting mentioned in paragraph 3.1.
ByL-3.6.	Properly marked ballot papers for Secretary and Treasurer shall reach the Secretary not less than thirty days before the meeting.	Properly marked ballot papers shall reach the Secretary not less than five days before the meeting.
ByL-3.7.	The ballot paper for Secretary and Treasurer shall be opened by the Secretary and two scrutineers, appointed by the Council. The signature portions of the ballot papers shall be removed, and the votes shall then be counted by the Secretary and the two scrutineers appointed by the Council, between thirty and twenty-five days before the meeting.	The ballot papers shall be opened by the Secretary and two scrutineers, appointed by Council. The signature portions of the ballot papers shall be removed, and the votes shall then be counted by the Secretary and the two scrutineers appointed by Council.
ByL-3.8.	Addition	In the transition from the old structure of Council to the new structure of council, the President will be chosen as previously, by members of Council, from members of Council, excluding the President-Elect.
ByL -8	Addition	<p>8. Communication with Members</p> <p>8.1. Communication between the institute and its members shall be in the manner selected by members.</p>