



NWAPA Rules and Policy Proposal Process

Rules and policy proposals (if passed) should amend one of the NWAPA's operational or governing documents. (Constitution and Bylaws, Fall Member Handbook, Winter Member Handbook, Fall Show Sponsor Handbook, Winter Show Sponsor Handbook)

Initiatives for the purchase of equipment, educational events (outside of NWAPA contest process and rules), setting membership fees, budget items, or other mandates of direct usage of general funds are NOT proposals. Such items are the purview of elected officers who meet regularly to create budgets, set fees, manage staff, and execute program on behalf of the general membership. NWAPA Board members will solicit feedback throughout their term from the membership on the above.

Initiatives for contest rules, process, governance and the like ARE proposals. When a proposal is passed, it is a mandate from the membership that must be executed by the NWAPA elected officers and staff. Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws may be initiated by a petition of at least ten (10) signatures from the general membership. This petition may be established through email and presented to the NWAPA Board. The NWAPA Board may also initiate proposals and amendments to Constitution and Bylaws.

The NWAPA President shall call for proposals and set appropriate due dates before each General Membership Meeting.

Because they are binding and have potential for altering NWAPA mission and operations, submitted proposals will be vetted by a committee chaired by the NWAPA President. A slate of complete and examined proposals will be presented to the membership for discussion and vote.

The NWAPA President may determine, at his/her discretion, that a submitted proposal will not be presented to the membership. Such proposals may be referred to committee for additional vetting and discussion, tabled for a future voting cycle, or removed from the slate altogether because they do not meet the above criteria.

Voting will take place at a General Membership Meeting. Each director of a member unit (or their proxy) in good standing (OR the sponsor organization of member units, depending on the nature of the proposal) is eligible to cast a vote.



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Proposal overview:

Affected season: FALL / WINTER / ALL

Rationale:

Financial impact or considerations:

NWAPA documents that will be amended:

Document language as it exists now:

Document language that will exist if the proposal passes:

Additional considerations:

Submitted by:

Member Unit Affiliation:

Submit completed proposals to president@nwapa.net