

**Proposed by-law changes: Per Article VII, Waiver of Notice
August 23, 2018**

Upon recommendation by the Board of Directors or by not less than one-fourth of the members, these Bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new Bylaws may be adopted by a majority vote at a regular annual meeting. Notice in writing of the proposed amendment or changes must be presented to the membership no less than thirty days in advance of the vote. Proposed changes are noted in **BOLD** text.

The following proposed by-law changes were approved by the Board of Directors and presented to the membership at the Business meeting on October 6, 2017 without an official vote. The by-laws require the proposed changes to be presented in writing to the membership at least 30 days in advance of the annual meeting. Discussion and voting on these changes will occur at the annual Business Meeting on October 26, 2018 in San Antonio, TX.

Article II Membership

Reads: Individual: Any individual may become a member of the Society. Individuals residing in Nebraska or who reside outside of the United States must choose either the Nebraska Individual membership or Foreign Individual membership.

Student: Any individual enrolled either full- or part-time at an accredited college or university may become a Student member. Student members have all of the benefits of Individual members. Students residing in Nebraska or outside of the United States must choose the appropriate membership class.

Suggested Change: Individual: **Any individual may become a member of the Society.**

Student: **Any individual enrolled either full- or part-time at an accredited college or university may become a Student member. Student members have all of the benefits of Individual members.**

Article V, Section 2. Notice of Meetings

Reads: The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three members, one of whom, and no more than one, shall be a member of the Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee shall make nominations for the Board of Directors which shall be announced in the notice of the annual meeting of the membership. To be nominated, as member must have given prior consent, in writing, to the nomination and must agree to attend the annual meetings held during his/her term of office. **Annually, the committee shall publish a call for nominations from the general membership in the *Plains Anthropologist*.**

Suggested Change: The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three members, one of whom, and no more than one, shall be a member of the Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee shall make nominations for the Board of Directors which shall be announced in the notice of the annual meeting of the membership. To be nominated, as member must have given prior consent, in writing, to the nomination and must agree to attend the annual meetings held during their term of office. **Annually the committee shall distribute a call for nominations from the general membership by email and on the Plains Anthropological Society website. When possible a call for nominations will also be published in the *Plains Anthropologist*.**

Article V, Section 2. Election and Terms of Office

Reads: To be nominated, a member must have given prior consent, in writing to the nomination and must agree to attend the annual meetings held during **his/her** terms of office.

Suggested Change: To be nominated, a member must have given prior consent, in writing to the nomination and must agree to attend the annual meetings held during **their** terms of office.

Article V, Section 6. Vice-President

Reads: In the absence of the President or in the event of **his** inability or refusal to act, the Vice-President (or in the event there is more than one Vice-President, the Vice-President in the order of their election) shall perform the duties of the President and, when so acting, shall have all powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President.

Proposed change: In the absence of the President or in the event of **their** inability or refusal to act...

Article V, Section 7. Treasurer

Reads: If required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of **his** duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine.

Suggested Changes: If required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of **their** duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine.