Proposed Amendments to AALL Bylaws –July 2012

Current Language	Proposed Language
Article IV Section 1.Categories of Membership a. Members – Active and retired (1) Active: Any person who is interested in the objectives of the Association and works with legal information in a library or information center or provides library services on an independent contract basis. (2) Retired: Any person who is interested in the objectives of the Association, who has retired from Active Membership, and who does not qualify for Associate Membership. b. Associate Members (1) Other persons who are interested in the objectives of the Association and in legal information, including honorary members, students, non-library employees of the information industry, and members of library governing boards. (2) A student member must be enrolled in a degree program related to law librarianship. Membership in this category is limited to five consecutive years. (3) A person who has made extraordinary contributions to law librarianship or to the Association and who is not a member of the Association is eligible for honorary membership upon endorsement by the Executive Board.	Article IV Section 1. Categories of Membership a. Active: any person who is interested in the objectives of the Association. b. Retired: any person who is interested in the objectives of the Association and has retired from full-time work. c. Student: A student member must be enrolled in a degree program related to law librarianship. Membership in this category is limited to five consecutive years. d. Honorary: A person who has made extraordinary contributions to law librarianship or to the Association and who is not a member of the Association is eligible for honorary membership upon endorsement by the Executive Board.
Section 2. Rights of Members a. Members in all categories have the right to receive the *Law Library Journal* and *AALL Spectrum*, to belong to Special Interest Sections, to serve on and chair AALL committees, and to vote in elections. Special Interest Sections may adopt policies governing the rights of their members. b. Active and retired members also have the right to hold elective office on the Executive Board.	Section 2. Rights of Members a. Members in all categories have the right to vote in elections, to serve on AALL committees, to belong to Special Interest Sections, and to receive specific publications as determined by the Executive Board. b. Active and Retired members also have the right to hold elective office on the Executive Board and to hold appointive office as an AALL Committee Chair. c. Special Interest Sections may adopt policies governing the rights of their members.

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Article XI. Chapters Section 5. Bylaws Chapter Bylaws must be consistent with the Bylaws of the Association. The Bylaws of each Chapter, whenever adopted or amended, shall be submitted to the Bylaws Committee for review. When the Executive Board, on the advice of the committee, determines that a Chapter Bylaw is in conflict with the Bylaws of the Association, the Chapter shall be directed by the Board to remedy said conflict in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee.	Article XI. Chapters Section 5. Bylaws Chapter Bylaws must not be in conflict with the Bylaws of the Association. The Bylaws of each Chapter, whenever adopted or amended, shall be submitted to the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee for review. When the Executive Board, on the advice of the Committee, determines that a Chapter Bylaw is in conflict with the Bylaws of the Association, the Chapter shall be directed by the Board to remedy said conflict in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee.

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Article XIII. Rules of Order *Sturgis' Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure*, in the latest edition, shall govern all deliberations of the Association when not in conflict with the Bylaws of the Association.	Article XII. Rules of Order In all matters not covered by its Bylaws, the Association shall be governed by the current edition of the *AIP Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure*.