

## Proposal to Amend SWE Bylaws

Proposal #	Title	Article	Section	Proposed by
S-1615	Dues	II	3.A.	Cherie Cain, Heather Bernardin, Stephanie DeCotiis, Natalie Vanderspiegel, Jessica Messick, Artemis Agelaridou

<p><b><u>Current Language:</u></b></p> <p>All members shall pay dues directly to the Society headquarters. Dues for all individual grades of membership, including any percentage allocation of funds rebated to sections, members at large and regions, shall be set by the senate. Dues for all other grades of membership shall be set by the board of directors.</p>	<p><b><u>Proposed Changes:</u></b></p> <p>All members shall pay dues directly to the Society headquarters. Dues for all individual grades of membership, including any percentage allocation of funds rebated to sections, members at large and regions, shall be set by the <b><u>board of directors.</u></b>  <del>senate. Dues for all other grades of membership shall be set by the board of directors.</del></p>	<p><b><u>If Adopted:</u></b></p> <p>All members shall pay dues directly to the Society headquarters. Dues for all grades of membership, including any percentage allocation of funds rebated to sections, members at large and regions, shall be set by the board of directors.</p>
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<b><i>The following amendment will be automatically adopted as a consequential amendment if this proposal is adopted:</i></b>		
<p><b><u>Current Language:</u></b></p> <p><i>Article V, Section 2.B.2:</i>                  2. Set dues for all individual grades of membership, including allocation percentages of funds rebated to sections, members at large, and regions;</p>	<p><b><u>Proposed Changes:</u></b></p> <p><i>Article V, Section 2.B.2:</i>  <del>2. Set dues for all individual grades of membership, including allocation percentages of funds rebated to sections, members at large, and regions;</del></p>	<p><b><u>If Adopted:</u></b></p> <p><i>Article V, Section 2.B.2:</i>                  2. <i>Renumber accordingly</i></p>

**Rationale:**  
 The governance subgroups have each been tasked with identifying areas in the bylaws that can be amended during FY16. The proposed governance structure doesn't include the senate as it is today. A new Strategic Advisory Board would be created to take on the strategic responsibilities of the current senate and related committees. This change is one step in our governance re-alignment that will better align roles and responsibilities to the correct organizations. This task is a tactical responsibility and fits best with the board in the new structure.

**Pro:**  
 The board already owns the fiduciary responsibility to the society and the setting of membership dues fits within those duties. The board understands our competitive and global environments making that body the most informed to make these types of decisions.

**Con:**  
 Limited representative input to the dues.  
 The senate will no longer have the checks and balances ability over setting the dues rebates.

**Bylaws Committee Comments:**  
 None.