SASFAA Proposed Bylaws Changes

ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP
Section 1.B

Current Wording:
Honorary membership shall be presented to persons who have performed outstanding service in the field of support and/or administration of student financial aid and who are voted Honorary membership by the Board.

Proposed Wording:
Honorary membership shall be presented to persons who have performed outstanding service in the field of support and/or administration of student financial aid and who are voted Honorary membership by the Board of Directors as defined in Article IX.

Rationale:
The ‘Board’ has yet to be defined and directs members to the definition.

ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP
Section 5.B.1

Current Wording:
Active members Only:
1. Are eligible to hold office or to be appointed to a leadership position with the exception that individuals serving in the offices of Vice President, President-elect, President and Immediate Past President shall be affiliated with a post-secondary institution, and

Proposed Wording:
Active members Only:
1. Are eligible to hold office, chair a committee, or to be appointed to a leadership position with the exception that individuals serving in the offices of Vice President, President-elect, President and Immediate Past President shall be employed by a post-secondary institution, and

Rationale:
Current bylaws do not clearly address committee chairmanship and nor that certain elected officers must be employed by an institution.
ARTICLE V – FINANCE
Section 4

Current Wording:
The books of the Association shall be financially reviewed at the conclusion of each of the Associations’ fiscal years in the manner prescribed by the Board.

Proposed Wording:
The fiscal records of the Association shall be managed according to any of the Association’s financial governing documents or as mandated by federal or state regulations.

Rationale:
This allows the bylaws to be more generic since they are more difficult to change and directs members to other documents.

ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS
Section 2

Current Wording:
The officers of the Association shall be elected annually, except as provided for in Article VI, Section 6. Individuals serving in the offices of Vice President, President-elect, President, and Immediate Past President shall be an active member who is affiliated with a postsecondary institution.

Proposed Wording:
The officers of the Association shall be elected annually, except as provided for in Article VI, Section 6. Individuals serving in the offices of Vice President, President-elect, President, and Immediate Past President shall be an active member who is employed by a postsecondary institution.

Rationale:
To be consistent with recommendation for Article IV, Section 5.B.1

ARTICLES VIII and XIV
Proposed: Delete these sections entirely and renumber all remaining Articles accordingly.
ARTICLE X – EXECUTIVE BOARD

Current Wording:

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Proposed Wording:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Rationale:

We refer to Board of Directors everywhere else, so this provides consistency.