

Q. What are the Proposed Bylaw changes members are voting on in June of 2024?

A. A summary of the Draft Proposed Bylaw changes:

I. Addition of the definition of a “School Member.”

This change is not a policy change. It is simply a publication of existing NFDA policy to clarify the difference between a School Member and a Firm Member as some schools also operate one or more Funeral Home Facilities. If a school operates one or more Funeral Home Facilities, it may elect to be a Firm Member or a School Member. The proposed language mirrors the definition of Student Members found in Article V: Members and Categories, Subsection F.

II. Revisions to Article VIII, Officers, Section C2; Article VIII, Officers, Section C3; Article IX, Board of Directors, Section E2; and, Article IX, Board of Directors, Section E3; Article IX, Board of Directors, Section E5(a) from specific date deadlines to a prescribed timeframe before relevant event.

This change is being made to allow NFDA to change the dates of elections based on that year’s calendar of events while ensuring that the necessary timeframes are established to ensure candidates and the membership have sufficient time to complete the relevant actions.

Q. Does the addition of the definition of a “School Member” change anything or alter any other NFDA memberships?

A. No. It simply makes clear NFDA’s existing policy which gives schools who also operate one or more Funeral Home Facilities the option to become full, voting Firm Members.

Q. When will the Bylaw changes be voted on and, if passed, when will they take effect?

A. Voting begins on June 13, 2024, and closes on June 26, 2024. If passed the bylaw changes will be effective September 1, 2024.

Q. What happens if the Bylaw changes do not pass?

A. Each of the provisions are crafted such that if either or both of them do not pass, NFDA business will be conducted according to the status quo.