

Constitution and Bylaws Committee

Names of Members Present: Jennifer Quinlan (Chair), Bobby Krishna (Vice Chair), Bill Huntley, Jenny Scott, Kathleen Glass, Michael Brodsky, and Steven Murphy.

Board/Staff Present: David Tharp and Dina Siedenburg.

Number of Attendees: 9.

Meeting Called to Order: 9:01 a.m. Eastern Time, Wednesday, June 23, 2021.

Minutes Recording Secretary: Bobby Krishna.

Old Business: Minutes from the 2020 meeting were reviewed and approved unanimously with one correction to specify Section VI B, as appropriate. Reviewed the 2020 Recommendations to the Executive Board.

All recommendations were approved however recommended changes to bylaws were not made this year due to timing needed for the process. Recommendations made last year will be made again this year. Don Schaffner should be added as a committee member.

Jennifer Quinlan

has reached out to two additional potential members based on discussion held in last year's committee meeting but has not yet heard from them regarding their willingness to serve.

New Business: The sections in the Constitution and Bylaws on meetings and the change of officers was reviewed in the wake of the Pandemic.

The committee reviewed the need for any amendments to the bylaws to ensure change of officers if the meeting is canceled for any reason (and an annual business meeting is not conducted). It was agreed that there were no changes required.

The Constitution and Bylaws do not require an Annual Meeting to be held. But, a yearly business meeting needs to be held in person or virtual-ly. A business meeting requires 50 members to be present, either virtually or in person, as interpreted by the committee.

Nomination for the Vice Chair-Elect is required for the Pittsburgh meeting. Don Schaffner was nominated to be Vice Chair and Jennifer Quinlan will reach out to let him know.

Recommendations to the Executive Board

1. Section VI B 1.2.1 of Bylaws—remove names of awards that are listed since this list is no longer comprehensive.
2. Section VI B 1.2.1 of Bylaws—Add the following statement at the end of this section: "Other Awards may be presented at the IAFF Annual Meeting that are not IAFF Awards, with Board Approval."
3. Examine and restructure the Awards Committee to make it similar to the other Standing Committees of IAFF.
4. Approve Don Schaffner to serve as Vice Chair of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

Next Meeting Date: July 31–August 3, 2022, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:48 a.m. Eastern Time.

Chairperson: Jennifer Quinlan.