

2024 Washington ACTE Bylaws Proposal Summary.

I hope you have been sharing the upcoming Bylaws changes with you section leadership to bring them up to speed and solicit their thoughts and input.

Remember our process for adoption is over the course of three Washington ACTE Board meetings. Our second meeting for these changes will be March 23, 2024, via Zoom.

I have attached an updated DRAFT of the proposed changes shared at our last meeting. You may recall that the link in the agenda was missing the change that was brought up about having proposed changes sent to the 10 days prior to the first of the three meetings. You will find that change in this version.

You will also find an additional change where I have moved a section from Article VII to Article IX. This just made sense to me as I read thru it all again this week. I hope you can take this as a friendly amendment and if you have not shared this with your section leadership, to please do so with this latest "DRAFT #2" attached along with the following summary of the proposed changes.

In order of appearance:

1. Name changes:
 - a. Adding a New and Related Services section
 - i. Provides a section for new and renewing groups who wish to be affiliated with Washington ACTE but have not reached or maintained full section requirements.
 - b. Strike WASTS from section list as they have merged with WITEA.
2. Adding "New and Related Services" (NRS) section
 - a. Use of 'Group' is separate from a 'Section' to establish that multiple groups will possibly exist within the NRS section.
 - b. A group may be something new or maybe a section that has fallen below the threshold of being a section.
 - c. Does not change the rules around 1 board representative per section. So groups will collectively select/appoint their representative to the Washington ACTE board.
3. Changes the Board Calendar
 - a. Move the board year of service to now begin with the meeting that takes place at the Washington ACTE annual summer conference until the last meeting prior to the annual conference.
 - b. I have moved this from Article VIII – Meetings and Conferences to Article IX – Board Authority. Nothing changes other than placement from the first proposed Draft.
4. Amending Process
 - a. Adds language to assure any proposal to change bylaws is provided at least 10 days prior to the first of the three meetings to adopt.

Thanks for your work as a board rep and the job you do to support CTE and your sections!