

## **ARTICLE I Membership**

### **Section 1. Procedure for Fellowship or Regular Membership.**

Candidates for Fellowship or regular membership shall apply to the Secretary. Applications must include a curriculum vitae and cover letter highlighting the applicants' interest and/or experience in Medical Laboratory Immunology. The membership committee shall review the eligibility of the applicant and provide a list of the prospective candidates to the Council at the Annual Meeting. The Council may grant by majority vote provisional membership to eligible applicants prior to the Annual Meeting. A list of qualified applicants and provisional members shall be posted at the Annual Meeting. New members are elected **by majority vote of members** present to membership at the Business Meeting of the Annual Meeting.

**AGREE/DISAGREE**

## **ARTICLE II Terms for Officers and Councilors**

### **Section 1. Officers.**

*Change: Secretary-Elect and Treasurer-Elect serve the same term as Secretary and Treasurer to allow for transition.*

The President shall serve for 2 years. The Vice-President serves 2 years in that office and becomes President in the third year. The Secretary **and Secretary-Elect** shall serve for a term of **2 years and will not be elected in the same election year as the President and Vice-President** The Treasurer and Treasurer-Elect shall serve for a term of **2 years and will not be elected in the same election year as the President and Vice-President**. The Past President will serve as a member of the Council for 2 years. Election shall be by secret ballot. The term of office shall begin on October 1 following their election.

**AGREE/DISAGREE**

## **ARTICLE III Committees**

*For all committees, a chair and vice-chair have been included along with one council member and one or more additional members that the chair may select.*

### **Section 1. Membership Committee.**

This committee shall consist of the Secretary, who shall serve as the Chair, the Secretary Elect **who will serve as the Vice-Chair, an AMLI councilor and at least one or more AMLI members as determined by the committee chair.** The primary function of this committee is to determine eligibility of all those who apply for appropriate membership status in the AMLI on the basis of criteria approved by the Council and consistent with Article 1, Section 1 of the By-Laws. The Membership Committee may undertake appropriate activities to maintain the existing membership roster as well as to promote further growth within the Association.

**AGREE/DISAGREE**

### **Section 2. Scientific Affairs Committee.**

The Scientific Affairs Committee shall be responsible for the scientific content and quality of the Annual Meeting, symposia, workshops and special courses. The Committee shall be composed of the AMLI President, who serves as committee chair, the Past President, the Vice-President **who will serve as the Vice-Chair, a regional representative for the** current Annual Meeting, and the chairperson of the education committee. The regional representative is appointed by the Council and may also appoint others to join a **regional planning committee**, if approved by the President.

**The regional representative (and committee, if appointed) will advise the scientific affairs committee on access to local speakers and places of interest in the city of the annual meeting**

**AGREE/DISAGREE**

### **Section 3. Nominating Committee.**

**The senior member of this committee will be the immediate Past-President, who will serve as the chair of this committee. The current President will serve as the vice-chair. The committee will include two members appointed by the President, one who is a senior AMLI member and the other, an individual who has been an**

**AMLI member for less than 5 years. Members will serve a term of 3 years.** Committee members may not currently be serving on the Council of the Association.

## **AGREE/DISAGREE**

### **Section 4. Finance Committee.**

This Committee will consist of the Treasurer, who will serve as the Chair, the Treasurer Elect **who will serve as the Vice-Chair, one AMLI councilor and one or more AMLI members appointed by the Chair.**

## **AGREE/DISAGREE**

### ***Moved to Essential Committees***

**Section 5. Education Committee.** The responsibility of this committee is to generate educational opportunities to members of the Association through facilities available during the Annual Meeting as well as the organization of short courses and/or regional workshops under the auspices of the Council. The President will appoint the Chair of the education committee. The Chair of the Education committee will serve as an ex officio member of the Council. **In addition, this committee shall organize and conduct, as appropriate, seminars, discussions and presentations online during the year.**

## **AGREE/DISAGREE**

### ***Moved to Essential Committees***

**Section 6. Website Committee.** This committee consists of a Chair appointed by the President and up to 3 additional AMLI members selected by the Chair with approval of the Council. The responsibility of this committee is to obtain material appropriate for the Society website. The Chair of the Website committee may either designate an appropriate committee member to maintain the website and post appropriate material, or, with Council approval, contract with an outside person or organization to maintain the website. The Website committee Chair is an ex officio member of the Council. The

education committee works closely with the website committee to post educational material on AMLI's website.

## **AGREE/DISAGREE**

### **Section 5. Other Committees.**

These committees shall serve at the discretion of the President and may be formed to meet special needs or requirements

- **Constitution and By-Laws Committee.** This Committee will consist of the Past President, who shall serve as the Chair, the President, **who shall serve as the Vice-Chair** and Vice-President. This committee shall be convened only as needed and determined by the President with the advice of the Council.

## **AGREE/DISAGREE**

- **Long-Range Planning Committee.** This committee shall **meet at least once during each AMLI President's term at the annual AMLI meeting.** The President shall appoint up to 5 members **who have experience with AMLI's goals and who have wide ranging experience in the field of medical laboratory immunology** to develop a long-range plan for the Association.
- **Government and Industry Liaison Committee.** **This committee shall include liaison members to the FDA, CAP and other regulatory organizations, and members who represent AMLI at other professional organizations. The committee shall consist of up to 5 members appointed by the president and will serve as a conduit for information between AMLI and other regulatory and professional organizations.**

## **AGREE/DISAGREE**

### **Section 6. New Committee Working Committees.**

**Additional** committees **may be convened** to conduct business in areas where members have special interests or **when** there are special needs concerning the Association. Any

member of the Association is invited to join these committees and serve as long a term as they desire. Chairs of the committees will be named by the President.

**AGREE/DISAGREE**

#### **Section 7. Committee Procedures.**

Except as otherwise provided in these By-Laws, a majority of a committee shall constitute a quorum thereof, and the acts of the majority of those present at a meeting which a quorum is present, shall be the acts of the committee. Meetings of each committee shall be called by the Chair of the committee. **Each committee will meet at least twice a year with one meeting to be held concurrent with the AMLI annual meeting.** Each committee shall **render reports of committee activities at the annual AMLI meeting and** at such times as the Council may require.

**AGREE/DISAGREE**

#### **Section 5. Divestiture.**

It is intended that the existence of the Association shall be perpetual. However, should the Association be terminated for any reason, the residual funds of the Association shall be assigned to one or more not for profit organizations engaged in scientific activities similar to those of the Association. **The council will choose the non-profit(s) organization to whom residual funds will be disbursed.**

**AGREE/DISAGREE**

**\*New**

#### **ARTICLE VII Contingency Election Plans**

**Elections for officers, Council members, or committee members, for acceptance of new members, as well as other matters requiring a vote of AMLI members are conducted at the Annual Meeting, if possible. If the elections cannot be held for any reason at the Annual Meeting, the Board by majority vote may authorize such elections to be conducted by polling members by mail or via the internet.**

**AGREE/DISAGREE**

