AUA Staff Liaison  Nancy Waid

Chair  Jody Maranchie, MD

Terms of Office  Chair: 2 years (non-renewable)
Members: 3 years (renewable once)

Committee Makeup
The Bylaws Committee shall consist of at least one Active or Senior Member from each Section who is Chair or member of the Section Bylaws Committee. Member terms are three years (renewable once). If the member is also a Section Secretary, then that member’s term shall coincide with the term as Section Secretary. The President shall appoint a Chair to serve a two-year term. The Chair may serve in addition to the Section’s designated members. The AUA Secretary and the Urology Care Foundation Secretary shall serve on an ad hoc basis. (AUA, Inc. Bylaws Article V Committees, Section 1.1 May 2023).

Mission Statement
The Bylaws Committee shall become familiar with the activities of the Association and the efficacy of the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws and shall make a yearly report to the Board of Directors which shall include any recommended amendments. (AUA, Inc. Bylaws Article V Section 1.1 May 2023).

Reporting
The committee makes appropriate recommendations to the Board of Directors, after which it reports to the membership at the Annual Business Meeting.

Committee Meetings
The committee conducts its business via email consensus in early spring. Depending upon the complexity of the proposed Bylaws amendments, the committee may also meet by videoconference.

Time Commitment
Chair: 6 hours per year
Member: 3 hours per year
Qualifications/ Responsibilities

Chair: The Chair should have prior experience working with bylaws within a regional Section or the AUA and have a general familiarity with the structure of AUA and parliamentary procedure. The Chair reviews information pertinent to AUA Bylaws. The Chair ensures that all proposed Bylaws amendments, with the assistance of the Staff Liaison, are promulgated to the membership at least thirty (30) days in advance of the Annual Business Meeting. The Chair must maintain familiarity with the Bylaws of all AUA’s corporate entities (C-3 Education and Research, C-6 AUA, Inc., and C-3 Foundation). Amendments to the Urology Care Foundation bylaws are approved by the UCF Board of Directors.

Members: Should have good communication skills and familiarity with Section and AUA Bylaws. Committee members review the proposed bylaws amendments in the spring, provide comments to ensure the draft language is clear and accomplishes the changes requested by the Board of Directors. The members must be familiar with and review the Bylaws of all AUA’s corporate entities (C-3 Education and Research, C-6 AUA, Inc., and C-3 Foundation). Members are responsible for bringing issues pertaining to governing Bylaws of each Section to the AUA Bylaws Committee. Likewise, members are responsible for relaying AUA Bylaws amendments and discussions to their respective Sections.

Recent Accomplishments (2022-2023)
The committee approved the draft amendments for the AUA and AUAER Bylaws as requested by the Board of Directors. The below amendments were approved by the membership at the Annual Business Meeting on May 1, 2023.

- Updated the scope and jurisdiction of the Judicial & Ethics Committee
- Updated the member disciplinary section to more improved clarity
- General updates to the size and composition of several committees