

# Amendments to the Bylaws Proposed for consideration at the 2024 Annual Meeting (June 24th-June 27th) Wooster, Ohio

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### Dates of Significance:

- Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>
  - o Deadline for proposed bylaw amendments not originating from the Executive Committee. The signature/endorsement of a minimum of five members are required to propose a bylaws amendment.
- Sunday, June 9th
  - o Deadline for Membership Notification/Website Posting of Amendments
- Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup>
  - o Bylaws Forum
- Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>
  - NACTA Annual Business Meeting Session

Note: The parliamentary authority as authorized in the Bylaws adopted in 2020 of the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture (NACTA) is the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised. All citations will refer to this authority.

Robert III, H. M., Honemann, D. H., Balch, T. J., Seabold, D. E., & Gerber, S. (2020). *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 12<sup>th</sup> edition.* PublicAffairs

### **OFFICIAL NOTICE**

This booklet contains notice of the proposed amendments to be considered by the voting members of the NACTA Annual Meeting, June 24<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> in Wooster, Ohio. Having the proposed amendments in hand early allows time to consider the merits and discuss with colleagues. Please make your feelings known to your colleagues if you are not able to attend the annual meeting. Our goal as members should be to come well-prepared and contribute to expeditious handling of these issues at the business meeting during the annual meeting.

In addition to stating the amendments in a formal manner, the proposed amendments are presented in three-column format: *Current Wording*; *Proposed Amendment*; and *If Adopted Will Read*. Below each is the identity of the proposer, the rationale furnished by the proposer, the executive committee's recommendation, which may include a proposed amendment, and the executive committee's rationale for the recommendation if other than adoption.

There will be a bylaws forum on Monday of the Annual Conference week. Please refer to the convention schedule or conference virtual platform for the location of this forum during conference week. During the forum, the NACTA Parliamentarian will facilitate open discussion (no action) of the proposed bylaws amendments. Please keep in mind that your decisions must consider how all members, regions and NACTA will be affected. **PLEASE HAVE ACCESS TO THIS BOOKLET WITH YOU AT THE CONVENTION.** 

NACTA Executive Committee				
Executive Committee Role	Name	Institution		
Voting Members				
1. President	Nick Fuhrman	University of Georgia		
2. President-Elect	Cheryl Wachenheim	North Dakota State University		
3. Immediate Past President	Todd Winters	Univ. of Tennessee-Martin		
4. Secretary/Treasurer	Chris Estepp	Univ. of Arkansas		
5. Eastern Region Director	Caryn Filson	The Ohio State University		
6. Southern Region Director	Joey Mehlhorn	University of Tennessee at Martin		
7. Central Region Director	Maria Boerngen	Illinois State University		
8. Western Region Director	Kasee Smith	Idaho State University		
9. Canadian Regional Director	Heather Bruce	University of Alberta at Edmonton		
10. Judging Conference Director	Brad Ramsdale	Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture		
11. Foundation Director	Al Wysocki	University of Florida		
12. Journal Editor	Tracy Rutherford	Virginia Tech		
13. Historian	Dale Layfield	Clemson Univ		
<ol> <li>Educational Issues and Teaching Improvement Committee Chairs</li> </ol>	Thomas Paulsen	Morningside University		
15. Educator Recognition Committee Chair	Carrie Pickworth	North Carolina State University		
16. Experiential Learning Committee Chair	Don Mulvaney	Auburn Univ.		
17. Foundation Advisory Committee Chair	Al Wysocki	University of Florida		
18. Global Engagement Committee Chair	Michel Wattiaux	University of Wisconsin - Madison		
Non-Voting Members				
19. Delta Tau Alpha Liaison	Elizabeth Walker	Missouri State		
20. Association of Public and Land Grant Universities (APLU) Liaison	Todd Winters	Univ. of Tennessee-Martin		
21. Non-Land Grant Agricultural and Renewable Resources Universities (NARRU) Liaison				
22. Parliamentarian	Daniel D. Foster	Pennsylvania State Univ		
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### An Amendment to the Bylaws of the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture Organization

Coding: <u>Underlined print</u> = insert or add <u>Line through print</u> = strike out

Amendment Subject Title: Adding Appointed Graduate Student Representative

### **Description of Amendment and Amendment Location (Article, Section, line number):**

The purpose of this amendment is to space for increasing representation of graduate students in the NACTA organization by adding an appointed position to the leadership team.

Location: Article IV: Officers & Organizational Leadership, Section 1. Officers of the Organization, B. Appointed Officers

<b>Current Wording</b>	Proposed Wording	If Adopted will read
B. Appointed Officers The appointed officers of the organization will be the Foundation Director, Historian, Editor-in-Chief, Parliamentarian, and a member of the standing finance committee. These officers will be appointed by the Executive Committee. The terms of office will be for one year or until their successors are appointed.	B. Appointed Officers The appointed officers of the organization will be the Foundation Director, Historian, Editor-in-Chief, Parliamentarian, Graduate Student Representative, and a member of the standing finance committee. These officers will be appointed by the Executive Committee. The terms of office will be for one year or until their successors are appointed.	B. Appointed Officers The appointed officers of the organization will be the Foundation Director, Historian, Editor-in-Chief, Parliamentarian, Graduate Student Representative, and a member of the standing finance committee. These officers will be appointed by the Executive Committee. The terms of office will be for one year or until their successors are appointed.

### Rationale (50 words or less):

It is desired to give graduate student NACTA members official representation on the Executive Board while enhancing their ability to network with teaching scholars. The Graduate Student Representative will not have voting privileges.

#### **NACTA Executive Committee Recommendation:**

The NACTA Executive Committee reviewed this proposal on May 24, 2024 and recommended that it be shared with NACTA membership. A discussion of possible revisions to the standing rules to provide clarity to these changes may be entertained later.