Proposal A: Change duties of past president from being a member of the ethics committee to being a member of the nominations committee.

Rationale: The ethics committee is already comprised of elected positions and elects its own chair annually. Given this, imposing a new member and giving the new member the requirement to call the first meeting, when a chair already exists for that role, is duplicative and unnecessary. The experience of the past-president can be better utilized on the nominations committee to scout for future organization leaders.

Change: Edit article V, Section 10, and Article VII, Section a. as shown below

Article V

Section 10. Duties of the Past-President. The Past-President shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors, the executive committee, be a member of the ~~Ethics~~ Nominations Committee, and any other duties assigned by the President or the Board of Directors.

Article VII

a. **Ethics Committee**. ~~The immediate Past-President shall serve as a member of the Committee and shall call the first meeting of the year to elect a chair and conduct committee business. Additional members of the Ethics Committee shall be elected during the yearly election as specified in Article IX.~~ The Ethics Committee shall be comprised of 4 (four) members voted on by membership. The Chair of the Committee shall be elected annually by Committee members. The Committee will educate Association members on ethical problems and relevant ethical principles, ambiguous ethical situations, conflicts of ethical principles and ethical-legal-clinical conflicts. The Committee shall encourage and develop seminars and forums on ethical issues as well as regularly publish relevant articles in the Association newsletter.

Proposal B: Remove Liaison to the Board of Psychologist Examiners as a board position.

Reason: The position has never been defined, making it difficult to recruit members for a role without a clear purpose or responsibilities.

Change: A strikethrough as shown in red below.

Article VI

Section 1. Members of Board of Directors. The Board shall be composed of the following:

1. President
2. President-Elect
3. Immediate Past President
4. Secretary
5. Treasurer
6. Member at Large (#1)
7. Member at Large (#2)
8. Member at Large (#3)
9. Early Career Member at Large
10. Liaison to prescribing psychology association
11. Liaison to school psychology association
12. Chair of Nominations Committee
13. Chair of Legislative Committee
14. Chair of Ethics Committee
15. Chair of Continuing Education Committee
16. Chair of Diversity and Social Responsibilities Committee
17. Chair of Member in Training Committee
18. Chair of Early Career Psychologist Committee
19. APA Council Representative
20. APA Federal Advocacy Coordinator
21. Public Education Coordinator
22. ~~NMPA Liaison to the Board of Psychologist Examiners~~

Proposal C: Update Dues and Assessments section to match practice of collecting dues within the membership year they apply to.

Reason: NMPA completed a successful pilot program of collecting dues, not in advance, but during, the membership year they were meant to support. These changes would align the bylaws with this cycle.

Change: delete strike through language and add language in red as shown below.

Article IV: Dues and Assessments
Section 1. Dues. Association dues shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Assessment of Dues. The Executive Director will ensure a notice of dues payment is sent to all members ~~between thirty (30) and sixty (60) days prior to~~ at the end of the fiscal year.

Section 3. Delinquent Dues. Dues for the Association's fiscal year shall ~~be paid prior to~~ due the first day of the fiscal year. Any member with unpaid dues thirty (30) days after the beginning of the fiscal year shall be considered delinquent. The Executive Director will ensure that delinquent members receive a reminder notice. Failure to pay delinquent dues within sixty (60) days after the end of the fiscal year shall be considered as equivalent to resignation from the Association as stated in Article III, Section 4.b.

Proposal D: Remove outdated language

Reason: COSA was an APA-sponsored program from years past, that has been discontinued for many years. This technical update removes reference to this role.

Change: delete strike through language and add language in red as shown below.

Article V: Elective Officials and Duties, Section 3.3
3. Appointed Officials.
~~a. Coordinators of State Advocacy (COSA). Unlimited term. Once appointed, a COSA may serve until replaced.~~
~~b~~.a. Two-year term for other officials appointed to their position by the NMPA Board or President. Eligible to serve unlimited terms.