Material proposed revisions to bylaws of APABA of Colorado

Summary: Since the adoption of the organization's bylaws almost 20 years ago, the membership base of APABA of Colorado has grown significantly and the organization has developed effective internal processes to serve such growth. Accordingly, the board has deemed an update to the bylaws to be in the best interests of the organization. Most proposed revisions reflect long-standing organizational practices. Remaining changes provide flexibility and minimize the need for future updates to the bylaws.

Amendments to bylaws may be adopted by a vote of the majority of members present at any meeting with quorum. Members with voting rights are dues-paying members who have graduated from law school or have been admitted to any state bar.

Topic	Current Bylaws	Proposed Bylaws
Members		
• Dues (§2.2)	Initial dues \$40, \$25, or free, depending on seniority and status of legal practice.	Annual dues to be set by board.
Annual meeting (§2.5)	Annual meeting required to be held.	Annual meeting not required to be held.
 Action without a meeting (§2.12) 	Action without a meeting requires unanimous consent of voting members.	Action without a meeting requires a majority of voting members to consent. Consents may be by e-mail.
Board of Directors		
• Election (§3.2)	Members elect board of directors at members' annual meeting.	Board elects board of directors at a board meeting by a vote of two-thirds of then current directors.
Action without a meeting (§3.12)	Action without a meeting requires unanimous consent of members of the board of directors or committee	Action without a meeting requires a majority of directors or committee members to consent. Consents may be by email.
Officers		
• Election (§§4.1, 4.2)	Members shall annually elect officers.	President and president-elect shall annually appoint officers.
Miscellaneous		
Amendments (§7.1)	Amendments to bylaws may be adopted by a majority vote of members at any meeting with quorum.	Amendments to bylaws may be adopted by a majority vote of the board of directors at any meeting with quorum.