

**Committee Report – Internal Activities Committee  
May 4, 2007**

**I. Appointment of New Directors**

**Section 4.02. Composition of the Board.**

A. Number and Terms of Directors. There shall be twenty-one (21) voting members of the Board consisting of one (1) appointed Director from each of the eighteen (18) Regions, one (1) elected Chair, one (1) elected Vice Chair, and one (1) Immediate Past Chair.

Each Director shall serve one (1) three-year term on the Board, commencing on July 1 and ending on June 30.

Except as provided in Section 4.02.C and 4.02.D, no Director shall serve more than one (1) three-year term on the Board.

The terms of the Directors shall be staggered so that there will be six (6) positions expiring every year.

New Board Members:

Region 10: Emil C. Herkert '60

Region 12: Michael S. Squyres '63 '64 (re-appointed for two years)

Region 13: William L. Kreps '55 (re-appointed for two years)

Region 14: John G. Hoffman '71 '73

Region 15: Richard A. Erlenbaugh '65

Region 18: Robert A. Drajem '64

**II. Election of Vice-Chair**

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C. Election of the Vice Chair. An election for Vice Chair will be conducted each year during the concluding session of the NDSA spring Board meeting. The candidate elected as the incoming Vice Chair shall serve in this position for one year before assuming the position of Chair for one year. Upon completion of his/her term the Chair shall remain on the Executive Committee for an additional year in the capacity of Immediate Past Chair. **Only Directors who have completed**

two years of service shall be eligible for the office of Vice Chair. There shall be no formal nominations; voting shall be by secret ballot of those directors present at the regular Spring Board meeting. The election shall be conducted and the votes counted by the members of the Executive Committee. If a candidate does not receive a majority of the votes cast, then the top two vote recipients will have a run off. A simple majority of the votes cast shall win the run off vote.

**NDSA Board Members Eligible for Election as Vice-Chair:**

Peter Campbell  
Martin Gleason  
George Harvey  
Jo Ann Harvey  
Robert King  
George Koch  
William Kreps  
Dan Merritt  
Michael Neumeister  
Michael Pinter  
James Slattery  
Michael Squyres  
John Studebaker

**III. Suggested Revision Of Our Procedures For Selecting New Directors:**

At our Winter Meeting, we began the discussion of a revision to our process for selecting new Directors to reflect the fact that we now have multiple candidates for the seats of retiring Directors. As Chair of the Internal Activities Committee and with the support of all members of the Committee, I strongly recommend that we move away from the current process in which new Directors are selected by the Internal Activities Committee without input from the rest of the Board.

I envision a process in which

1. The Internal Activities Committee would present candidate resumes to current Board members at the Winter Meeting, thereby providing an opportunity for questions by Board members to members of the Internal Activities Committee.

It would also enable a discussion by the full Board of qualifications and skills which should be sought in new members.

2. If necessary, the candidates would be vetted by the Executive Committee and the NDAA Director's Office by January 30.

3. An email vote of the full Board would be conducted by the Executive Committee by February 15.
4. Elected candidates would be notified so that they could attend our Spring meeting, thereby having some overlap with the Directors whom they are replacing.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Squyres, Chairman  
Michael Neumeister  
Deborah White