

NOTICE OF PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENT

Prepared by:

2017-2018 Georgia FCCLA Board of Directors
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To the chapters of the Georgia Association of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, Inc.:

Pursuant to Article XVI, Section 2 of the bylaws of this association, you are hereby notified that the following resolution to amend the existing bylaws will be considered at the next annual meeting, to wit:

AMENDMENT #1:

ARTICLE V - State Officers, Section Five. Vacancies. A.

To Amend Article V, Section 5A by deleting references to “regions.”

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p>A. If the office of president becomes vacant, the first vice-president shall become president for the remainder of the term. If there is no first vice-president, the Board of Directors shall appoint a president from among the remaining officers. Then the new president, in consultation with the executive director, will assign his/her former duties to other state executive council members. In the event of a vacancy in another office, the candidate who received the next highest number of votes for the region in which the vacancy occurs may be offered the position. If there are no defeated candidates from the region, a committee may, in consultation with the executive director, assign the duties of the vacant position to other state executive council members.</p>	<p>A. If the office of president becomes vacant, the first vice-president shall become president for the remainder of the term. If there is no first vice-president, the Board of Directors shall appoint a president from among the remaining officers. Then the new president, in consultation with the executive director, will assign his/her former duties to other state executive council members. In the event of a vacancy in another office, the candidate who received the next highest number of votes for the region in which the vacancy occurs may be offered the position. If there are no defeated candidates from the region, a committee may, in consultation with the executive director, assign the duties of the vacant position to other state executive council members.</p>	<p>A. If the office of president becomes vacant, the first vice-president shall become president for the remainder of the term. If there is no first vice-president, the Board of Directors shall appoint a president from among the remaining officers. Then the new president, in consultation with the executive director, will assign his/her former duties to other state executive council members. In the event of a vacancy in another office, the candidate who received the next highest number of votes may be offered the position. If there are no defeated candidates, a committee may, in consultation with the executive director, assign the duties of the vacant position to other state executive council members.</p>

Rationale: *The Bylaws were amended in 2017 to move to at-large candidates; therefore, we no longer elect state officers by region.*

AMENDMENT #2:

ARTICLE XII – Board of Directors, Section Two. Membership, F

To Amend Article XII, Section 2F by striking “the local advisers” and adding the second sentence giving the two local advisers of the student members voting privileges.

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p>F. Voting Privileges. Each member of the board (except for the executive director, the DOE Family and Consumer Sciences State Program Specialist/State Adviser and the local advisers of the two student members of the board) shall have the power to cast one vote on any issue to be determined by the board.</p>	<p>F. Voting Privileges. Each member of the board (except for the executive director, the DOE Family and Consumer Sciences State Program Specialist/State Adviser and the local advisers of the two student members of the board) shall have the power to cast one vote on any issue to be determined by the board. <i>The two local advisers of the student members shall have one vote representing the student voice.</i></p>	<p>F. Voting Privileges. Each member of the board (except for the executive director, the DOE Family and Consumer Sciences State Program Specialist/State Adviser and the two student members of the board) shall have the power to cast one vote on any issue to be determined by the board. The two local advisers of the student members shall have one vote representing the student voice.</p>

Rationale: *Members under the age of 18 are not allowed to be voting members of any Board of Directors as dictated by Georgia law. The two local advisers of the student members will cast their votes representing the students’ voice. This will help make sure that the opinions of the student members is still heard.*

AMENDMENT #3:

ARTICLE XII – Board of Directors, Section Two. Membership, E

To Amend Article XII, Section 2E by adding a School Administrator and an Alumni & Associates member to the Board of Directors.

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p>E. There shall be two members representing business and industry elected by the board and one representing family and consumer sciences programs at colleges and universities.</p>	<p>E. There shall be two members representing business and industry elected by the board and one representing family and consumer sciences programs at colleges and universities. <i>There shall be one School Administrator and one Alumni and Associates member, both to be elected by the board.</i></p>	<p>E. There shall be two members representing business and industry elected by the board and one representing family and consumer sciences programs at colleges and universities. There shall be one School Administrator and one Alumni and Associates member, both to be elected by the board.</p>

Rationale: *The Board of Directors needs to be a representative of all stakeholders. These two groups are important within the organization; therefore, need representation on the Board.*