



2026

**ASSE INTERNATIONAL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PROPOSED BYLAWS REVISION**

PROPOSED BYLAWS REVISION – **SHOWING CHANGES**

ARTICLE X - DUTIES OF THE ASSE INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ASSE INTERNATIONAL CHAPTER / IAPMO BOARD OF DIRECTORS SEAT

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Section 2. The Vice President shall:

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- Make recommendations to the President on committee assignments including chairpersonships.
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- Be responsible for the activities of the Regional Directors.
- Receive the Regional Directors' reports and report to the Executive Committee.

If the Vice President expires, resigns or is otherwise removed from office, the President may appoint a temporary replacement to fill the vacant position of the ~~Third~~ Vice President until the elections at the next Annual Meeting, subject to ratification by the ASSE Board.

REGIONAL DIRECTORS AND THEIR REGIONS / MANUFACTURERS' REPRESENTATIVE

Section 4. The Regional Directors and Manufacturers' Representative shall:

- a. be in contact with and report on ASSE International business to all members (including Members at Large) and chapters within their assigned regions or industry, respond to and monitor activities, ideas and needs of all such members and chapters, or industry.
- b. attend all ASSE Board of Directors meetings and report to the ASSE Board their interactions and findings for the betterment of ASSE International, the membership, chapters and industry; and
- c. be a voting member of the ASSE Board of Directors.

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Each region as defined below will have two (2) Regional Directors, jointly representing members and chapters of that region. These two (2) Regional Directors shall efficiently coordinate execution of their mutual duties.

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Responsible for - N. Dakota, S. Dakota, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Wyoming, and At Large Members (who live in these listed States)

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Responsible for - Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia, and At Large Members (who live in these listed States).

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Regional Directors **Western-1, Northeastern-1 and Manufacturers' Representative**

Regional Directors **Central-1, Southern-2 and Northeastern-2**

The ASSE Board shall review the makeup of the regions at least every three (3) years to determine if regions are properly balanced. The ASSE Board has the option to revise the region assignments as necessary to serve the best interests of the ASSE International Chapter.

ARTICLE XI - ELECTION OF ASSE INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS, REGIONAL DIRECTORS AND MANUFACTURERS' REPRESENTATIVE

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(Same as above but without strike-through and underline)

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PROPONENT: ASSE International Board of Directors

If approved, this proposed change shall become effective at the ASSE Annual meeting of 2026.

RATIONALE:

Removing “Third” brings the by-laws into the current practices of ASSE.

Clarifying language that Regional Directors and Manufacturers’ Representative shall serve a three-year term.

Allows an individual to be appointed or elected to fill a vacated term and, if that individual is then elected to serve on the board of directors after filling the vacated term, the time served in the vacated position will not count against the individual's elected terms, allowing them to serve up to two full three-year terms on the Board.