



# THE TERATOLOGY SOCIETY

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### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS 2007

Changes and/or deletions to the Constitution and Bylaws are proposed for your consideration. These changes will be discussed at the Annual Business Meeting on June 27, 2007.

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**Proposed Amendment No.1: Article VI, Section 5, Publications Committee.**

Publications Committee. The Publications Committee shall inform and advise the Council on the finances of *Birth Defects Research*, shall provide advice on and approve candidates for Section Editors, and Associate Editors proposed by the Section Editors, shall monitor editorial activities of all parts of the Journal, shall review annually all policies (see Bylaws) of *Birth Defects Research* operation, shall recommend suggested changes in policy to the Council and shall perform other duties as directed by Council. The members of the Publication Committee shall be eight members of the Society appointed by the President. Ad hoc members may be appointed as deemed appropriate by the President to serve only for the year of appointment. The President and the Editor of each part of the Journal shall be ex-officio members with ~~full votes~~ voting rights. The Publisher's representative shall serve as non-voting ex-officio member. Associate and Section Editors may not be appointed as members of the Publication Committee. A quorum shall be one half of the voting members or their alternates previously approved by Council. The appointed members will serve for four years, beginning with staggered terms. A ~~Vice Chair~~ Vice-Chair will be selected during the second year of his/her term, with input from the current Chair; this person will serve as Chair during the third year of a his/her term and then as Past-Chair. ~~The Vice Chair will then serve as Chair~~ of the Committee during the fourth year of ~~their~~ his/her term. Terms will begin on the day after the Annual Meeting.

**Reason for Change:** Grammatical correctness.