

SUBJECT: American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP)  
Constitution & Bylaws Amendments to Modify Board Composition

SUBMITTED BY: ACOFP Board of Governors

REFERRED TO: 2010 ACOFP Congress of Delegates

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RESOLUTION NO. 8

1 WHEREAS, the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP) Board of Governors is  
2 addressing reduced revenues from multiple sources including convention registration revenue,  
3 exhibits, industry support through CME grants, and investments; and

4 WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the critical need to reduce expenses at all levels of the ACOFP; and

5 WHEREAS, reducing the number of elected Governor-at-large positions from six to five through the  
6 following Constitution & Bylaws amendments will contribute to overall, long-term expense  
7 reductions; and

8 Constitution – Article VI – Officers

9 The elected officers of this College shall be the President, President-Elect, the Past Presidents  
10 for the preceding two years, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, ~~six (6)~~ FIVE (5) Governors-  
11 at-large, and Speaker and Vice Speaker of the Congress of Delegates.

12 Constitution – Article VII – Board of Governors

13 Section 1. The Board of Governors shall be composed of the President, President-Elect, the  
14 Past Presidents for the preceding two years, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, ~~six (6)~~ FIVE  
15 (5) Governors-at-large, one osteopathic family practice resident, and one osteopathic medical  
16 student, all to be selected as provided in the Bylaws and the Speaker of the Congress of  
17 Delegates. The Speaker has voice but no vote.

18 Bylaws – Article VI – Board of Governors

19 Section 2. Composition, A. – The Board of Governors shall consist of the President,  
20 President-Elect, the Past Presidents for the preceding two years, Vice President,  
21 Secretary/Treasurer, ~~six (6)~~ FIVE (5) Governors-at-large and two Academic members as  
22 provided for in the Bylaws.

23 (1) The Speaker of the Congress of Delegates shall be an *ex-officio* member of the  
24 Board of Governors with voice but no vote.

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26 Section 3. Quorum – A quorum of the Board of Governors shall be the majority of the  
27 officers and ~~six (6)~~ FIVE (5) Governors-at-large.

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31 Bylaws – Article VII – Officers

32 Section 1. Composition – The elected officers of the College shall be the President,  
33 President-Elect, the Past Presidents from the preceding two years, Vice President,  
34 Secretary/Treasurer, ~~six (6)~~ FIVE (5) Governors-at-large, and Speaker and Vice Speaker of  
35 the Congress of Delegates.

36 Bylaws – Article IX – Elections

37 Section 2. Terms – C. DEPENDING ON THE SEQUENCE OF THE TERM  
38 EXPIRATION, ONE OR ~~Two~~ of the ~~six~~ FIVE (5) Governors-at-large shall be elected  
39 annually to a three-year term.

40 WHEREAS, the official notice of proposed amendments were distributed to the ACOFP membership in  
41 the January/February 2010 issue of *Osteopathic Family Physician* greater than the 30 days notice  
42 required preceding the Congress of Delegates; now, therefore be it,

43 RESOLVED, that the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP) Congress of  
44 Delegates approves amendments to the ACOFP Constitution & Bylaws by reducing the number  
45 of Board members by one (1) Governor-at-large position, from six (6) to five (5).

Explanatory Statement: The ACOFP Board is composed of six Officers, six Governors-at-large, one Resident Academic member, one Student Academic member, and the Speaker of the Congress of Delegates. We seek to be fiscally responsible to the ACOFP membership while continuing to fulfill our leadership responsibilities on behalf of the profession.

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