The Proposed changes column shows each section until there are no more changes to that section. Where there is nothing in that column, the committee proposes no changes.

Proposed changes are all in red. Additions are in italics while deletions are crossed out. Simple rearrangements of sections are noted but not marked in red unless modified.

Proposed by: Suzanne Young-Mercer, Chair Maria DeWald, Betty Harrel, Betty Preble Submitted 4/17/2023

CURRENT BYLAWS	PROPOSED CHANGES	RATIONALE	PROPOSED NEW BYLAWS
Article VIII. AAUW-NYS Purpose			Article VIII. AAUW-NYS Purpose
AAUW-NYS is a not-for-profit organization organized under New York State law. AAUW-NYS shall assist the development of new branches of the national organization, the American Association of University Women (hereinafter referred to as "AAUW"), within the state; promote, encourage, and coordinate the work of the branches throughout the state; and, cooperate with AAUW. It shall further the AAUW mission in all its work.			AAUW-NYS is a not-for-profit organization organized under New York State law. AAUW-NYS shall assist the development of new branches of the national organization, the American Association of University Women (hereinafter referred to as "AAUW"), within the state; promote, encourage, and coordinate the work of the branches throughout the state; and cooperate with AAUW. It shall further the AAUW mission in all its work.

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This belongs in Section 1.

The size of the committee was reduced. With the reduction in board size and number of branch members, a smaller nominating committee is more viable and can complete the necessary work.

30. Now we move to Section 2.

Per Robert's Rules, the committee should put forward THE best candidate.

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The board must be notified of the slate but cannot reject the committee recommendations.

Presentation to the membership need not be through the newsletter.

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ARTICLE XII. Officers Board of

Directors

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An effort to define the board, clean up the duplication between Articles XII & XIV and put them in a more logical order.

ARTICLE XII. Board of Directors

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Proviso: To assure compliance with the bylaws during this transition to the new election/officer structure. the current president-elect will become president when the current presidential term ends in June 2022. At that time, a new president-elect will also be elected to fill the vacancy. All other elected officers will continue their terms. In 2023. the public policy vice president would be elected to serve a one-year term, ending in 2024. Thereafter, the public policy vice president would be elected in even-numbered years to serve two-year terms.

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b. AAUW-NYS Responsibilities:

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- c. Serve as chair of the bylaws committee or task force.

Section 3. Public Policy Vice President.

- a. Serve as chair of the AAUW public policy committee.
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- b. Prepare the annual budget with review and input from the finance committee for approval by the AAUW-NYS board of directors.
- c. Present a draft of the current financial position to the membership at the annual meeting, to the board of directors at each board meeting and to the finance committee upon request.
- d. Arrange for a report of the annual financial review to the board of directors at a regularly scheduled meeting.
- e. Pay all bills authorized by the budget adopted by the board of directors or approved following board procedures.
- f. Prepare the AAUW-NYS Federal tax documents.
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Section 6. Annual Reports. All elected officers and appointed board

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minimum of two other members of AAUW- NYS to be appointed by the board. Geographical representation should be considered with an appropriate guide being no more than two members from the same branch. Section 2. Duties of the Finance Committee. The finance committee oversees the preparation of the annual budget by the treasurer for presentation to the board of directors and shall advise the board of directors on the administration of all financial matters of AAUW-NYS and the investment of its funds. Article XVII: Audit Committee Section 1. Composition. The audit committee is a standing committee of AAUW-NYS and consists of three members of AAUW-NYS to be appointed by the board, not to include the president or treasurer. Geographical representation should be considered with an appropriate guide being no more than two members from the same branch. The audit is to be completed by August 30th.	Article XVII: Audit Financial Review Committee Section 1. Composition. The Audit Committee is a standing committee of AAUW NYS and consists of three members of AAUW NYS to be appointed by the board, not to include the president or treasurer. Geographical representation should be considered with an appropriate guide being no more than two members from the same branch. The board shall annually appoint a Financial Review Committee	The composition of the Financial Review committee is defined and a timeframe for notification and follow-up is established.	treasurer and a minimum of two other members of AAUW-NYS to be appointed by the board. Geographical representation should be considered with an appropriate guide being no more than two members from the same branch. Section 2. Duties of the Finance Committee. The finance committee oversees the preparation of the annual budget by the treasurer for presentation to the board of directors and shall advise the board of directors on the administration of all financial matters of AAUW-NYS and the investment of its funds. Article XVI: Financial Review Committee Section 1. CompositionThe board shall annually appoint a Financial Review Committee consisting of two AAUW-NYS members who are not on the board and are not from the same branch. The financial review is to be completed by August 30th.
30th.			

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ARTICLE XVIII. Other		ARTICLE XVII. Other
Committees and Task Forces		Committees and Task Forces
Section 1. Other Committees and Task Forces. The board of directors shall authorize committees and task forces, each consisting of three or more members of AAUW-NYS, to serve at the direction of the board. Committees and/or task forces can include but not be limited to membership, public policy, and program. Geographical representation should be considered with an appropriate guide being no more than two members from the same branch.		Section 1. Other Committees and Task Forces. The board of directors shall authorize committees and task forces, each consisting of three or more members of AAUW-NYS, to serve at the direction of the board. Committees and/or task forces can include but not be limited to membership, public policy, and program. Geographical representation should be considered with an appropriate guide being no more than two members from the same branch.

Article XIX. Financial Administration		Article XVIII. Financial Administration
Section 1. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of AAUW-NYS shall correspond with that of AAUW and shall begin on July 1. Section 2. Budget. The annual budget of AAUW-NYS shall be prepared by the treasurer with review and input from the finance committee for approval by the board. Section 3. Audit. The AAUW-NYS Board of Directors shall provide for such audit or financial review and control of funds as are necessary to assure their safekeeping and complete accounting.		Section 1. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of AAUW-NYS shall correspond with that of AAUW and shall begin on July 1. Section 2. Budget. The annual budget of AAUW-NYS shall be prepared by the treasurer with review and input from the finance committee for approval by the board. Section 3. Audit. The AAUW-NYS Board of Directors shall provide for such audit or financial review and control of funds as are necessary to assure their safekeeping and complete accounting.
ARTICLE XX. MEETINGS OF AAUW-NYS	ARTICLE XX. MEETINGS OF AAUW-NYS	ARTICLE XIX. MEETINGS OF AAUW-NYS
Section 1. Time, Place and Notification. a. AAUW-NYS shall hold at least one regular meeting each year, to be known as the AAUW-NYS Annual Meeting, to conduct the business of the organization, including the election of officers and the receiving of reports of officers and other appropriate task forces or	Section 1. Time, Place and Notification. a. AAUW-NYS shall hold at least one regular meeting each year, to be known as the AAUW-NYS Annual Meeting, to conduct the business of the organization, including the election of officers and the receiving of reports of officers	Section 1. Time, Place and Notification. a. AAUW-NYS shall hold at least one regular meeting each year, to be known as the AAUW-NYS Annual Meeting, to conduct the business of the organization, including the election of officers and the receiving of reports of officers and other appropriate task

committees.

- b. The time and place of the annual meeting shall be determined by the board of directors.
- c. Special meetings may be called by the president by written or electronic mail or shall be called by the president on request of 10% of the members eligible to vote at such meeting.
- Notice of each meeting shall d. be sent to all members electronically at least 30 (but not more than 50) days prior to the meeting. Such notice shall not be deemed to have been given electronically if the corporation is unable to deliver two consecutive notices to the member by written or electronic mail, or the corporation otherwise becomes aware that notice cannot be delivered to the member by electronic mail. The corporation will make all reasonable attempts to notify the member via other means such as telephone or mail.
- e. All AAUW-NYS meetings, including meetings of the board of directors, may be attended by any member of AAUW-NYS.
- f. If circumstances prevent the holding of an annual meeting, the board of directors shall provide for the conduct of necessary business.

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- e. All AAUW-NYS meetings, including meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, but not including those of the Financial Review and Nominating Committees, may be attended by any member of AAUW-NYS. The timing and

All members are entitled to know the business of AAUW-NYS

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	those of the Financial Review		location of these meetings shall be
	and Nominating Committees,		available to the members on the
	may be attended by any member		AAUW-NYS website at least one
	of AAUW-NYS. <i>The timing and</i>		day prior.
	location of these meetings shall		
	be available to the members on		
	the AAUW-NYS website at least		
	one day prior.	Given today's communication	
	f. If circumstances prevent the	tools, there is no reason not to	
	holding of an annual meeting, the	have an annual meeting.	
	board of directors shall provide		
	for the conduct of necessary		
	business.		Section 2 Democratic
Section 2 Democratation			Section 2. Representation.
Section 2. Representation.			a. Voting Body. The voting body
a. Voting Body. The voting body			of any meeting of the state shall be
of any meeting of the state shall be			composed of the people in the
composed of the people in the			following categories, all of whom
following categories, all of whom			shall be AAUW-NYS members in
shall be AAUW-NYS members in			the February 1 st AAUW
the February 1 st AAUW			membership report.
membership report.			(1) Elected AAUW-NYS officers
(1) Elected AAUW-NYS officers			and appointed AAUW-NYS
and appointed AAUW-NYS			Directors.
Directors.			(2) Chairs and members of all
(2) Chairs and members of all			AAUW-NYS committees and
AAUW-NYS committees and			AAUW-NYS Task Forces.
AAUW-NYS Task Forces.			(3) Past presidents of AAUW-
(3) Past presidents of AAUW-NYS.			NYS.
(4) Branch Delegates. A branch			(4) Branch Delegates. A branch
shall be entitled to 2 delegates and			shall be entitled to 2 delegates and
an additional delegate for each 50			an additional delegate for each 50
paid members or fraction thereof			paid members or fraction thereof
•			beyond the first 50. A delegate

beyond the first 50. A delegate shall	shall have one vote. A delegate,
have one vote. A delegate, holding	holding dual membership, may
dual membership, may only be a	only be a delegate from the branch
delegate from the branch in which	in which s/he pays AAUW and
s/he pays AAUW and AAUW-NYS	AAUW-NYS dues.
dues.	(5) One delegate for each
(5) One delegate for each	College/University partner who is
College/University partner who is	also a member of AAUW- NYS.
also a member of AAUW- NYS.	(6) A member of the voting body
(6) A member of the voting body	shall represent no more than one
shall represent no more than one	vote.
vote.	b. Quorum. Delegates
b. Quorum. Delegates representing	representing one-fourth of the
one-fourth of the branches shall	branches shall constitute a quorum.
constitute a quorum.	,
Constitute a quorum.	Section 3. Public Policy
	Procedures.
Section 3. Public Policy Procedures.	
Resolutions and Policies shall be	Resolutions and Policies shall be
voted on as part of the annual	voted on as part of the annual
meeting. Resolutions can be	meeting. Resolutions can be
introduced by a member prior to the	introduced by a member prior to
meeting or at the meeting and must	the meeting or at the meeting and
relate to a specific AAUW-NYS or	must relate to a specific AAUW-
AAUW mission goal.	NYS or AAUW mission goal.
A majority vote of those present and	A majority vote of those present
voting shall be required for	and voting shall be required for
adoption.	adoption.
Article XXI. AAUW-NYS Bylaws	Article XX. AAUW-NYS Bylaws
Amendments	Amendments
Section 1. Prior Approval. To	Section 1. Prior Approval. To
remain a vital organization, AAUW-	remain a vital organization,
NYS should continuously plan for	AAUW-NYS should continuously

change, and utilize the bylaws to	plan for change, and utilize the
make possible these changes. All	bylaws to make possible these
draft amendments to the AAUW-	changes. All draft amendments to
NYS bylaws shall be sent to the	the AAUW-NYS bylaws shall be
AAUW-NYS Board of Directors for	sent to the AAUW-NYS Board of
approval and compliance with	Directors for approval and
AAUW bylaws, AAUW-NYS	compliance with AAUW bylaws,
bylaws, federal and New York State	AAUW-NYS bylaws, federal and
laws, regulations of the Internal	New York State laws, regulations
Revenue Service and the mission of	of the Internal Revenue Service
AAUW prior to the membership	and the mission of AAUW prior to
vote at the annual meeting.	the membership vote at the annual
Section 2. Member Vote.	meeting.
Provisions of these bylaws not	Section 2. Member Vote.
governed by the AAUW bylaws	Provisions of these bylaws not
may be amended at the AAUW-	governed by the AAUW bylaws
NYS annual meeting by a two-thirds	may be amended at the AAUW-
vote of those present and voting,	NYS annual meeting by a two-
provided written or electronic notice	thirds vote of those present and
of approved amendments has been	voting, provided written or
sent to the members at least thirty	electronic notice of approved
days prior to the meeting.	amendments has been sent to the
	members at least thirty days prior
	to the meeting.
Article XXII. Indemnification	Article XXI. Indemnification
Every board committee on tools	Every board committee outselv
Every board, committee, or task force member shall be indemnified	Every board, committee, or task force member shall be indemnified
by AAUW-NYS against all	by AAUW-NYS against all
expenses and liabilities, including	expenses and liabilities, including
counsel fees, reasonably incurred or	counsel fees, reasonably incurred
imposed upon such members of the	or imposed upon such members of
board or committees in connection	the board or committees in
with any threatened, pending or	connection with any threatened,

completed action, suit or proceeding to which the board or committee member may become involved by reason of being or having been a member of the board or committee, or any settlement thereof, unless adjudged therein to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of duties. In the event of a settlement, the board indemnification herein shall apply only when the AAUW- NYS board approves such settlement and reimbursement as being in the best interest of AAUW- NYS. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which the member of the board or		pending or completed action, suit or proceeding to which the board or committee member may become involved by reason of being or having been a member of the board or committee, or any settlement thereof, unless adjudged therein to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of duties. In the event of a settlement, the board indemnification herein shall apply only when the AAUW-NYS board approves such settlement and reimbursement as being in the best interest of AAUW-NYS. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which the member
committee is entitled. Amended: June 12, 2021, revised		of the board or committee is entitled.
1/21/22		
Bylaws Committee: Carol Griffith,		
Hon. Edwina Frances Martin, Esq.,		
Jane Pendergast		