ARTICLE IV
MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS
Section 1. Annual meeting.
An annual meeting of the voting members of the Association shall be held at such time and place as determined by the BOD. This annual convening of the membership shall be called the General Assembly.

Section 2. Authority and Responsibility.
The General Assembly (GA) shall be the principal body within the Association responsible for establishing policy and providing direction for matters relating to the practice of dental hygiene. In addition to such other duties set forth in these bylaws, the GA (i) shall amend, alter, or repeal the bylaws in accordance with Article XV of these bylaws (ii) shall vote on all matters properly brought before the GA and (iii) shall elect the directors and ADHA delegates and alternates of the Association.

Section 6. Notice.
Notice of any annual or special meetings of the voting members shall state the time, date, place and purpose of the meeting and shall be delivered to all voting members at least ten (10) and no more than sixty (60) days prior to the date of the meeting, unless otherwise required by applicable law.

The AzDHA 2023 General Assembly
Saturday, October 14, 2023
Virtual Meeting! All members encouraged to attend.
9 AM to 12 PM
Candidate Guidelines, Election Procedures and Results:

15. A call for nominations for elected AzDHA positions shall be announced to the members via appropriate media no later than 60 days prior to the Member General Assembly.

16. Any qualified AzDHA member may declare their candidacy for an elected position at any time until nominations are closed.

17. Candidates shall be invited to submit a completed professional summary limited to 200 words and a platform statement limited to 400 words prior to the General Assembly for inclusion in the posted materials. A photo is optional.

18. A member of the Board of Directors shall read the slate of candidates during the General Assembly and then call for additional nominations from the floor.

19. Nominations from the floor must be made with the nominee’s prior consent. In the event of nominations from the floor, candidates are encouraged to provide copies of their professional summary and platform statement for distribution to the voting members.

20. During the Candidates’ Forum each candidate is allowed one speech not to exceed three (3) minutes. After all candidates for a position have spoken, questions/answers from the Assembly will be allowed of all candidates for this position not to exceed 10 minutes. Candidates who cannot be present may submit a pre-recorded speech for the forum.

For the 2023 General Assembly the positions open are as follows:

Board of Directors:
There are six (6) director positions open.

Three (3) are a 2-year term from 2024-2025.

Three (3) are a 1-year term for 2024.

These positions are based on a Calendar year.
Section 6. Terms.
A. Directors shall serve terms of two (2) years.
B. The terms for each director shall begin January 1st following their election and continue until such time as their successors are duly elected and assume their position.
C. Directors shall be elected in such a manner that their terms expire in alternate years.
D. Directors may not serve more than three (3) consecutive terms. Following three (3) terms of service, a director may be elected to serve another term after a period of one (1) year. Directors serving more than one year shall be deemed to have served a full term for the purpose of term limits.

ADHA District XI Delegates:

There are 2 delegate positions open.
Each is a 2-year term from 2023-2025.
These positions go from GA to GA.

All nominations are for delegates. Out of all the nominations, the top two (2) chosen are elected as delegates and all the rest are elected as alternate delegates. It is important that everyone running is willing to serve as a delegate or alternate. Everyone running will be elected.

Section 3. Qualifications.
Only voting members who have held membership in this Association for at least one year shall be eligible for election as delegates or alternate delegates.

Section 4. Term of Office.
Delegates shall serve a term of two (2) years, with tenure limited to two (2) consecutive terms. Following two (2) terms of service, delegates may be elected to serve another term after a period of one year. Alternates shall
serve a term of one (1) year and may serve additional terms. The terms for delegates and alternates shall begin following the close of the GA at which they are elected.

Section 8. Duties.
A. Delegates and alternates shall represent this Association at all business meetings held prior to and during ADHA’s Annual Conference. Attendance at other forums, updates, and workshops may be required as determined by the BOD.
B. Delegates and alternates shall follow ADHA’s General Guidelines for Delegates.
C. Delegation Chair
1. The delegation chair shall be selected by the current delegation.
2. The delegation chair shall serve a term of one (1) year.
3. The delegation chair shall keep the BOD informed of ADHA activities and provide a summary of the year’s activities to the General Assembly.