



## SLLS By-laws PROPOSED CHANGES TO BE VOTED ON DURING GENERAL MEETING 28 SEPT 2019

### 1 Membership

#### Background

Current By-Laws state the amount of the membership fees. Due to the length of time between meetings, and the collection of fees by the conference organizers, the Board needs flexibility to adjust the fees in advance of each meeting. This means there is no opportunity to present the proposed new fee structure to the membership for a vote at the General Meeting. The Board proposes to change the By-Laws accordingly to permit this.

#### Proposed change

- Remove section 1.2 stating the amount of the membership fees (and adjust following section numbering accordingly)
- Change current section 1.8 as follows:

The dues payable by individual members for the period starting at a General Meeting and continuing until the subsequent General Meeting are set by the SLLS Board for each period.

**Deleted:** For the 3-year period starting in December 2006 at Theoretical Issues in Sign Language Research (TISLR) 9 (Florianópolis, Brazil) the membership fees are as follows: Regular €75, Reduced (student, developing country) €25. As of March 2010 new members pay €85,00 until TISLR 11, in 2013. Students and Developing €25,00. ...

**Deleted:** until the next TISLR meeting and general membership meeting are set by the member's general meeting on the basis of a proposal by the board. (Article 6.1)are set

## 2 Board

### Background

Current By-Laws state that the maximum number of board members is seven. Currently the board roles are:

- Chair
- Vice-Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Webmaster
- International Relations – Academics
- International Relations - Stakeholders

The Board proposes to institute a new Board position, Membership chair. Membership-related tasks currently the responsibility of the Treasurer and the Webmaster will be shared with the Membership chair.

### Proposed change

- Change section 2.1 as follows:

The board consists of minimally three and maximally ~~eight~~ persons elected at the members' general meeting (Article 7.1).

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## 3 Advisory Board

### Background

Current By-Laws state that one member is elected per continent as a member of the Advisory Board. The Board proposes to change this to *at least one*, to permit multiple representatives for each region.

### Proposed change

- Change section 3.5 as follows:

~~At least one~~ member will be elected per continent (Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, North-America, South-America) by the General Meeting.

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