

Proposed TAICEP Bylaw Changes

September 27, 2026

KEY

Black text: Current Bylaw text

~~**Strikethrough black text:**~~ Text to be deleted and replaced

Red text: Proposed Bylaw changes

Article 4, Membership

- **Section 1, MEMBERSHIP CLASSES AND VOTING RIGHTS**
- **TAICEP shall have the following membership classifications and voting rights:**
 - **Individual Membership is comprised of the following subcategories, qualifications, and voting rights:**
 - **Actively involved.** Individuals who are actively involved in the practices of or responsible for policies and practices that affect the field of international credential evaluation. Each individual member in this subcategory shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members.
 - **Retired.** Individuals who have retired from employment in the field of international credential evaluation and remain committed to the goals of professional development in international credential evaluation. Each individual member in this subcategory shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members.
 - **Lifetime.** Retired individuals who have demonstrated commitment to the field of international credential evaluation and have met specific criteria as established by the Board of Directors. *Selection:* This status is conferred upon approval by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. *Voting Rights:* Each individual member in this subcategory shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members.
 - **Honorary.** Individuals who are strategically valuable to the organization or the profession and have met specific criteria as established by the Board of

Directors. Selection: This status is conferred upon approval by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. **Voting Rights:** Individuals in this category have no voting rights.

- **Unaffiliated.** Individuals who are interested in entering the profession of international credential evaluation but are currently not engaged in any full-time employment. Individuals in this category have no voting rights.
- **Students.** Individuals who are full-time students who are not engaged in any full-time employment. Individuals in this category have no voting rights.
- **Organization Membership** is open to public or non-public organizations or institutions that employ persons who perform international credential evaluation services or are nationally or regionally appointed information centers on credential evaluation. Organizations may register and pay membership fees for one or more employees who is/are actively involved in the practices of or responsible for policies and practices that affect the field of international credential evaluation. An organization or institution as an entity has no voting rights. Voting rights are reserved for each person for whom the organization or institution registers and pays.
- **Affiliate Membership** is open to individuals and organizations that have parallel purposes to TAICEP, that may provide products and services, and/or that may be comprised of members who are involved in broader fields of education, training, or licensure, global affairs, etc., such as other professional membership organizations, technology providers, etc. Affiliate members have no voting rights

▪ **Section 10. TERMS OF OFFICE**

- The term of office for the President-elect shall be three consecutive years, serving one year as President-elect, one year as President, and one year as Past-president. The term of office for all other directors shall be two (2) years. Directors may serve for successive two (2) year terms for a total of four (4) sequential years, before having to take a minimum of a one (1) year hiatus, **except as**

provided in the following sentence. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Treasurer or Secretary position remains vacant after the election process, the Board of Directors may appoint the individual who most recently served in that position to serve a new term without regard to the one-year hiatus requirement.

- Terms for all presidents-elect and directors shall begin on January 1st of the first year of the term and end on December 31st of the second year of the term, unless the term is extended until such time as a successor has been elected and/or appointed.

▪ **SECTION 11. ELECTION AND COMPENSATION.**

- Elected. The President-elect, the Vice President of Standards and Quality, the Vice President of Membership Outreach and Engagement, the Vice President of Professional Development, the Vice President of Resources and Knowledge Management, the Treasurer, the Secretary and Director-at-Large positions are elected by votes cast by eligible voting members in good standing. Eligible voting members in good standing shall be entitled to one vote. Other voting procedures, methods, and guidelines are in the Elections Protocol Document, which the Board of Directors approves and amends as needed.
- Compensation. No director of TAICEP shall receive compensation for their services to their Board responsibilities.

Article 6, Committees

▪ **SECTION 1. BOARD COMMITTEES.**

- A complete list of Board Committees will be maintained by the Board of Directors in the Standing Rules.
- Any changes to the structure of a Board Committee, creation of a new Board Committee, or removal of an existing Board Committee shall be voted upon by the Board of Directors.
- ~~The Board Committees are:~~
 - ~~Committee for Governance, Finance, and Audit.~~
 - ~~Responsible for overseeing the governance structure for TAICEP as appropriate, the long-term financial sustainability of TAICEP, and TAICEP's~~

~~compliance with relevant legislation concerning the financial reporting of its activities. The Past-president serves as Chair. The Treasurer serves as a member. Additional directors may be appointed by the President to serve a one-year term.~~

~~o—Collaborative Relations and External Funding.~~

- ~~▪—Responsible for seeking connections with organizations that advance TAICEP's goals and maintaining meaningful engagement. Seek external funding, such as but not limited to grants, for TAICEP. Further, the Committee shall provide leadership for and monitor the activities of TAICEP's Membership Outreach and Engagement fund-raising efforts to ensure such efforts and activities reflect TAICEP's vision, mission and values and align with the strategic plan. The Chair is appointed by the President. The Vice-President of Membership Outreach and Engagement serves as a member. Additional directors may be appointed by the President to serve a one-year term.~~

▪ SECTION 2. STANDING COMMITTEES.

- Each standing committee shall comprise a chair-elect, a chair, and at least two members. **Committee chairs-elect are elected by votes cast by eligible voting members in good standing. Eligible voting members in good standing shall be entitled to one vote. Other voting procedures, methods, and guidelines are in the Elections Protocol Document, which the Board of Directors approves and amends as needed.** Appointment of committee members, terms of office, and rules and procedures shall be set forth in the Standing Rules. The Standing Committees are

ARTICLE 14, Parliamentary Authority

- Robert's Rules of Order (newly revised) shall govern the conduct of business of TAICEP in all cases in which they are applicable and are not in conflict with these bylaws or other policies or rules of TAICEP. A parliamentarian may be appointed or retained by the Board of Directors for any meeting of the membership or Board of Directors. **Duties of the Parliamentarian shall be outlined in the Standing Rules.**