

BY-LAWS OF THE METROPOLITAN NEW YORK CHAPTER, AATG
(revised March 2007)

I. ELECTIONS

(a) Elections shall be held every two years during spring to fill the offices of President, Vice-President and Treasurer/Secretary. The newly elected officers shall take office on July 1 of the election year.

(b) The President shall appoint at least two members of the Chapter, who at that time are not officers of the Chapter, to serve on an Election Committee. Appointments to the Election Committee shall be made by December 31 preceding each election year. The President shall not be an ex-officio member of the Committee.

(c) The Election Committee shall present a slate of candidates for office and request a ballot by mail from all members no later than April 15 of the election year. If possible, two candidates shall be proposed for each position. Biographical information of each candidate shall be distributed together with the ballot. It will be the responsibility of each candidate to provide such information upon request from the Committee. The Election Committee shall receive and count the ballots and announce the election results within three weeks after closing of the ballots.

(d) In nominating candidates for the office of President, due consideration shall be given to the desirability of alternating secondary school and higher education faculty for this office.

(e) Candidates shall be elected by a simple majority vote of the members who cast their ballot.

II. VACANCIES

In case of unexpected vacancies in the offices of President, Vice-President or Treasurer/Secretary, the President, with the consent of the Executive Board, shall appoint a temporary officer to serve in this capacity until the time of the next regularly scheduled balloting of the Chapter, at which time this vacancy shall be filled by the procedures outlined in Part I (b) and (c) of the By-Laws. If such vacancy occurs in the office of the President, the Vice-President shall serve as President until the time of the next scheduled election. The Executive Board shall then appoint a new Vice-President who shall serve until the time of the next scheduled election.

III. CHAPTER DUES

The Chapter may assess, change or rescind Chapter dues in addition to the dues for the National Organization at any regular meeting by a simple majority vote of the members present.

IV. MEETINGS OF THE CHAPTER

The Rules contained in the latest Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the Chapter meetings.

V. AMENDMENTS

The By-Laws of the Chapter may be amended or new By-Laws may be adopted by a simple majority of votes of members present at any regular meeting. Amendments or changes can be proposed by the Executive Board and/or any three members of the Chapter. Any amendments or intended changes have to be announced to the membership in writing at the time of the invitation to the meeting or no later than two weeks prior to the meeting.

VI. ENACTMENT

These By-Laws shall be put into effect after approval by a simple majority vote at any meeting of the Chapter.