

GTAC Bylaws Article V: Duties of Standing Committees - Amendment 2-2020

Title: Amendment 2-2020
Subject: Office and Committee Titles
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The purpose of this amendment is to bring our language in line with AFT-Kansas and AFT national (and make it easier to say) and to replace a reference to an ad hoc committee with a standing committee to improve the functionality of our procedures.

1. All instances of the phrase, "Steering Committee", in the Bylaws, are hereby struck, and the phrase, "Executive Board", is inserted for all such instances.
2. All instances of the phrases, "Negotiations/Legislative" and "Negotiations Committee", in the Bylaws, are hereby struck, and the phrase, "Political" and "Political Committee" is inserted for all such instances.
3. Strike the phrase, "negotiations teams" and replace it with "Negotiations Team" in Section 2d.
4. Strike the words "who will" in Section 2ai.
5. Strike the word "go" and replace it with the word "Go" in Section 2dii.
6. Strike the words "Elections Committee" and replace it with "elected officers" in Section 2dvi.
7. This amendment shall not be construed to affect any powers or duties of the offices so re-titled.
8. This amendment shall take immediate effect upon adoption.

Overview of Proposed Changes

Section 2. ~~Negotiations/Legislative~~ **Political** Committee

The ~~Negotiations/Legislative~~ **Political** Committee shall consist of three or more members, including the elected chair, with the intent to represent the diversity of the bargaining unit. The ~~Negotiations~~ **Political** Committee shall:

- a. Survey the membership on a yearly basis;
- b. Recruit members to represent the diversity of the bargaining unit;
- c. Be responsible for starting contract negotiations every two years;
- d. Create a ~~negotiations team~~ **Negotiations Team** who shall:
 - i. Assemble a team of members, including the President as an ex officio member, ~~who will~~
 - ii. ~~go~~ **Go** to the table”, with the intent of representing the diversity of the bargaining unit;
 - iii. Elect a spokesperson;
 - iv. Generate consensus over negotiation priorities and strategy;
 - v. Negotiate with management for favorable terms and conditions of employment for all members of the bargaining unit; and
 - vi. Work with the ~~Elections Committee~~ **elected officers** for contract ratification.
- e. Monitor local, state, and federal government actions that may affect the membership;
- f. Develop political campaigns with the Organizing Committee and affiliated organizations;
- g. Regularly attend/monitor student union and student senate meetings;
- h. Regularly report to the ~~Steering Committee~~ **Executive Board**; and
- i. Work to ensure a smooth transition of duties and knowledge to new members and chairs.