AAUW Maryland

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BYLAWS COMMITTEE REPORT

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In the spring of 2023, the AAUW Governance Committee presented a new set of bylaws to the national membership. After a discussion period, the bylaws were approved. Now, each state and each branch are required to make changes to their bylaws to incorporate seven revised articles.

The AAUW Maryland Bylaws Committee has requested that each branch revise its bylaws this spring. The actual deadline is three years from the date of approval – that is, May 2026.

The complete set of new bylaws and the articles that must be included in the branch bylaws can be found on the AAUW national website. There are seven articles to be included the state and branch bylaws. They define the branch’s relationship to the national organization. (Note that in the bylaws, the branch is called “the affiliate”.) Subjects of the articles are Name and Governance, Purpose, Use of Name, Members, AAUW Affiliates, Parliamentary Authority and AAUW-Mandated Amendments to the Bylaws.

These changes do not require branch board approval because they are mandatory.

The AAUW Maryland bylaws have been revised as required and have been submitted to the national office.

Branches have started to revise their bylaws, and the committee greatly appreciates each branch’s work.

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