Summary of SDEMSA By-Law recommended changes are as follows:

1. Article I. Membership – Section 1, Subsection 4, Letter D – Nominations for Lifetime membership shall be made to the State Secretary by July 1 of each year.
2. Article I. Membership – Section 1, Subsection 4, Letter E – removed the maximum of five per year.
3. Article I. Membership – Section 3, Subsection 1 – as determined by the Executive Council when approving the annual budget.
4. Article II. Organization – Section 2, Subsection 2 – renaming the Corporate/Membership to Corporate Sponsorship
5. Article V. Committees – Section 1, Subsection 5 – added purpose of the Education Committee – to assist in providing the quality education to our EMS providers, to help save as many lives’ as possible and continue to develop effective ways to deliver that education.
6. Article V. Committees – Section 1, Subsection 6 – Add The Political (Advocacy) Committee
7. Shall be composed of a minimum of three individuals as appointed by the State President.
8. It will be the responsibility of the Political (Advocacy) Committee to:
9. To study pending legislation and offer a recommendation to support, to oppose, or to take no position on the legislation to the SDEMSA Executive Council.
10. To consider EMS issues of pertinence that are brought to the attention of the SDEMSA Political (Advocacy) Committee by members of the SDEMSA and to reach consensus on whether to further study the issue and offer a recommendation to the SDEMSA Executive Council or to not consider the issue.
11. Other specific roles as directed by the SDEMSA Executive Council.
12. Article V. Committees – Section 1, Subsection 7 – Add the Corporate Sponsorship Committee
13. Shall be composed of a minimum of three individuals as appointed by the State President.
14. It will be the responsibility of the Corporate Sponsorship Committee to secure corporate sponsors to ensure EMS is receiving assistance through equipment, education and support to properly protect patients and personnel.