

Governance Committee Activities 2023-2024

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The primary function of the Governance Committee is to assist the Board of Directors of the Association for Multidisciplinary Education and Research in Substance Use and Addiction (AMERSA) in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities with a focus on:

- i) Board governance practices and effectiveness;
- ii) Board director nomination, recruitment, appointment and ongoing development; and
- iii) Membership recruitment and engagement, with attention to equity, diversity and inclusion.

Activities for 2023-2024

Membership

- Updated membership categories and policies in collaboration with BoD

BoD elections

- Reviewed and revised current BoD self-nomination form to reflect needs of incoming BoD
- Updated election timeline and procedures
- Updated ranking sheet of nominees
- Recruited potential candidates for BoD
- Conducted a successful self-nomination and election process in collab w Exec Committee and full BoD

Policies and other activities

- Assisted w creation and update of mult policies including code of conduct, alcohol policy
- Period review of duties of Gov Committee, terms of reference, as well as AMERSA strategic goals to ensure aligned

Important Goals for this Coming Year (Please Join Us!)

- Continue to have Governance Committee include a diverse set of voices to reflect AMERSA's membership
- Cont to review membership categories, with an explicit focus on equity, diversity and inclusion
- Continue to improve on our Board nomination policies and have another successful election!