

By-Laws Committee Report – for the July 26, 2022 Meeting

The By-Laws Committee met on July 26, 2022, in the NCB Boardroom at 4:00 PM.

In attendance: Committee members; William Collins, Arnold Gans, Karen Hahn, Mike LoStocco, Elaine Pivrotto, OCVA President James Rapaport, and Executive Director Fred Rodriguez.

Discussion of Declaration and By-Laws revision procedures

Executive Director Fred Rodriguez discussed the committee's role in revising the OVCA Declaration and By-laws and provided suggestions on best practices. The discussion included the following:

- Updating the Declaration and By-Laws to conform with revised or new CT State Statutes. It was noted by the Committee that CT State Statutes overrule the Declaration and By-Laws.
- Implementing a meeting procedure of calling the meeting, keeping it open, and adjourning at a later date to allow enough time for all association members to vote for Declaration or By-Laws changes.
- Using the practice of “blacklining” or “redlining” changes to the Declaration and By-law changes so that there is a comparison of the old and new documents.

The committee decided not to refer any Declaration and By-Law revisions to the OVCA Board due to the upcoming OVCA Board election in September 2022. The committee will meet in August to review the tabled Declaration and By-Law revisions submitted to the committee from May 17, 2022 through July 14, 2022.

The next By-Laws Committee meeting will be on Tuesday, August 23, 2022, at 4:00 PM in the NCB Boardroom.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Pivrotto
By-Laws Committee Chair