

**AMERICAN MEDICAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION
HOUSE OF DELEGATES 2016
RESOLUTION: A2**

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SCHOOL:	Ross University School of Medicine; University of Connecticut School of Medicine; Cooper Medical School of Rowan University; University of Missouri; University of Arizona College of Medicine - Tucson; University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine; St. James School of Medicine; University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine; Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine
SUBJECT:	Revocation of Chapter Charter
TYPE:	Resolution of Constitution & Bylaws

1 WHEREAS it is the responsibility of the Board of Trustees (BOT) to ensure that AMSA policy is upheld and that AMSA
2 members have access to the rights and benefit afforded to them, and;

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4 WHEREAS this sometimes includes addressing concerns regarding chapter practices that are in violation of AMSA
5 policies, and;

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7 WHEREAS the current language regarding the handling and compliance of these matters inappropriately designates this
8 responsibility to “the national office” rather than the BOT and;

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10 WHEREAS there is vague language regarding the circumstances warranting suspension or revocation of a charter by this
11 process or by the House of Delegates, creating the opportunity for confusion and potential harm to our chapter and
12 members.

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14 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Constitution and Bylaws, Article V, Section 1 be amended to read:

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16 The ~~national office~~ **Board of Trustees** reserves the right to review and demand correction of any gross violation of ~~either~~
17 AMSA policy—or basic democratic philosophy. In worst case scenarios the ~~national office~~ **Board of Trustees (by at least**
18 **two-thirds vote)** reserves the right to revoke the charter of any chapter that either refuses to rectify a ~~any heinous~~ situation
19 after ~~being~~ **the chapter is** notified by the national office or one that has done such damage through the misuse of authority
20 and/or of AMSA’s name that the ~~national office~~ **Board of Trustees** deems it prudent to discontinue association with the
21 chapter. **Furthermore,** the charter of any chapter may be suspended or revoked by the House of Delegates, **independent of**
22 **the Board of Trustees,** upon a vote to that effect by at least three fourths (3/4) of those voting.

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25 Fiscal note: None