

PNW-MAA 2017 Bylaws Revision Rationale

The list below matches up with the highlighted portions of the proposed bylaws.

Article V-3: Remove the Distinguished Teaching Award from article V. We still give the award just not the \$200. The section started giving \$200 for the award recipient in 2011 to try to encourage nominations and this was put into the bylaws in 2014 during the section's required bylaws review. Giving one section member a year \$200 is not a good use of section funds. A better use of this money is supporting our section meetings, NUMS (undergraduate student conference), Kryptos (cryptanalysis competition), and other student activities.

Article VI-1: Added another possibility for how the program chair duties may be structured. For consistency, "ex-officio" was added to the two other officers of the section that are on the program committee.