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2 Board Resolution  
3 From: WSDA Board of Directors  
4 To: House of Delegates  
5 September 2025  
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8 **HD-02-2025**  
9 **Rules for the House of Delegates – September 2025**  
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11 RESOLVED, that the following shall be adopted as the Rules for the House of  
12 Delegates at its annual meeting held in Tacoma, Washington, September 25-27, 2025:  
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- 14 1. The House of Delegates shall be organized and operated as outlined in the  
15 memorandum entitled “Organization and Operation of the House of Delegates”  
16 adopted in December 1960 and as amended by HD-01-2025 Re-establishing the  
17 “Organization and Operation of the House of Delegates” Document by the House  
18 of Delegates.  
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- 20 2. All resolutions and reports mailed to the members of the House of Delegates  
21 prior to the annual meeting may be read in part at the time of their introduction  
22 in the House, and such reading shall stand for reading the material in full.  
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- 24 3. If desired, at the request of the majority of the members of this House, any  
25 material shall be read in part or in full and amended or discussed at the time of  
26 the first reading.  
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- 28 4. Resolutions and reports not pertaining to amendments of the Bylaws may be  
29 acted upon by the House at the time of the first reading unless the House by  
30 majority vote, or the presiding officer, requests that the resolution or report be  
31 referred to a reference committee for further study and recommendations back  
32 to this House. Candidates for any position to be elected by the House at this  
33 meeting shall be ineligible to serve on a reference committee of this House  
34 meeting.  
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- 36 5. Except by majority consent of the members of the House of Delegates, debate  
37 on either side of a subject by one individual shall be limited to not more than  
38 two speeches, neither of which shall exceed five minutes.  
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- 40 6. The agenda for this House shall be the agenda as established by the Rules and  
41 Order Committee and submitted to the House of Delegates. New business not  
42 previously submitted and placed on the agenda by the Rules and Order  
43 Committee shall be considered only by two-thirds majority consent of the House  
44 of Delegates. Any business not receiving such two-thirds majority approval shall  
45 be referred to the next session of the House of Delegates by the presiding  
46 officer. The Bylaws amendment resolution pertaining to dues, HD-05-2025, and  
47 any increases, decreases or other amendments thereof, shall be in order for  
48 consideration by this House near the end of its final business session.  
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- 50 7. Voting for contested elective office will be conducted by electronic ballot. If the  
51 number of nominees equals the number of positions to be filled, and there is a

52 difference as to the length of term, delegates shall vote for up to one less than  
53 the number of positions to be filled.

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55 8. In the case of an elected office (such as board of directors) where more than one  
56 person is to be elected, the candidates receiving the most votes are each elected  
57 until the positions are filled, with the prevailing candidate receiving the fewer  
58 votes receiving the short term, if one is applicable.

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60 In the event of a tie, necessary to be resolved to complete the election, the run-  
61 off election is only among the two or more candidates in the tie. The elected  
62 candidate must receive a majority of the votes cast as per WSDA Bylaws  
63 Chapter XIV.

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65 9. To expedite the actions of the House, a list of referrals of known business shall  
66 be prepared by the Rules and Order Committee prior to the opening of the  
67 House of Delegates and presented to the members of the House at their opening  
68 session.

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