

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT DENTAL ASSOCIATION

REVISED MARCH 2005

- meeting
11. Installation of Officers and Board Members -
February meeting.
 12. Adjournment

Section 2. The order of business may be changed by the membership by a majority vote.

Section 3. Sturges Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure shall govern this Association on all points of parliamentary law not covered by these Bylaws. A copy of said book shall be provided by the Secretary at all meetings of the Board of Governors and of the Association.

ARTICLE VIII . DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

Section 1. The dues for active members of the Southwest District Dental Association shall be sixty (60) dollars per year unless otherwise specified in these Bylaws. All dues of the Association are payable in advance on January first (1) of each year. The dues of the Southwest District Dental Association, in addition to the dues of the Louisiana Dental Association, shall vary by category of membership status as set by the Board of Governors of the Southwest District Dental Association and approved by the general membership.

Section 2. On a one time basis, the dentist, when awarded a D.D.S. or D.M.D. degree, shall be exempt from the payment of active member dues and assessments for the remaining period of that year and the following first full calendar year, and shall pay 25% of active member dues and assessments for the second full calendar year following the year in which the degree was awarded, 50% of active member dues and assessments in the third year, 75% in the fourth year, and 100% in the fifth and thereafter.

Section 3. Any member who has not paid, prior to March thirty-first (31) the dues and all assessments for the current year shall be automatically dropped from membership, and shall be assessed a ten (10) dollar reinstatement fee.

Section 4. Life members shall be exempt from all dues other than those that may be levied by the Louisiana Dental Association and the American Dental Association.

Section 5. Any member of this Association engaged in active service in the armed forces of the United States shall be relieved of payment of dues, and upon returning to private practice shall be relieved of the payment of dues or assessments for the remaining period of the year in which he resumed private practice. This suspension of dues shall not constitute a lapse in membership in any respect, and shall only apply to those members in active service during war or national emergency and for the regular prescribed period of service thereafter, not including any period of voluntary extended service.

Section 6. Honorary members shall be exempt from all dues and assessments.