

Member Bulletin

October 5, 2017

Resolutions Deadline for Fall 2017 Convention Approaching

The deadline to submit resolutions for the fall 2017 convention is **Monday, October 16, 2017**. Complete, district-approved resolutions **MUST be emailed in a Microsoft Word format** to **tasha@aamdc.com** by the resolutions deadline.

If your district meeting has passed, and your municipality is considering bringing a resolution forward, please note that you can submit an individual resolution, sponsored by your municipality. Note that individual resolutions still require a mover and seconder on the convention floor. **Individual resolutions must be submitted prior to the resolutions deadline.**

Emergent Resolutions:

As per the **AAMDC** Resolutions Process Policy, resolutions submitted after the deadline will be reviewed by the Resolutions Committee to determine if they meet the definition of emergent. In order to be deemed emergent, the resolution **MUST** deal with an issue that has arisen since the resolution deadline of October 16, 2017 has passed. Under the new AAMDC Resolutions Process Policy, the Resolutions Committee has the authority to determine whether or not resolutions meet the definition of emergent and will be debated on the floor.

Resolution Writing Requirements:

Resolutions play an important role in guiding the association's advocacy efforts and it is essential to have well-written resolutions that are clear, concise, and include pertinent information.

- Resolutions should address issues that are provincial in scope and should not focus on local issues.
- Resolutions should influence legislative changes that will impact rural municipalities.
- The resolution should clearly demonstrate that the AAMDC is the best organization to advocate on moving the identified issue forward.
- The structure of resolutions is important. They <u>must include</u> a title, preamble, operative clause and member background.
- Resolutions MUST be submitted to the AAMDC prior to the resolutions deadline in their entirety (including member background) in Microsoft Word format.

AAMDC staff are available to provide resolution templates, and feedback on draft resolutions and the resolution writing process. Any members wishing to take advantage of this service are encouraged to contact Tasha Blumenthal at tasha@aamdc.com.

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