

**ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES
PROPOSED BY-LAWS AMENDMENTS**

February 21, 2026

In the centre column, suggested additions and changes to the Constitution and By-Laws are noted in **red**.
Deletions are noted using the **strike-out** function.

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<u>Change #1 – BY-LAW 10 FINANCES</u>		
a) all monies belonging to the Society shall be deposited in a bank account in the name of the Association at a branch of a charter bank, credit union, or other financial institution in Canada by any officers or an employee so designated by the Board	a) all monies belonging to the Society Association shall be deposited in a bank account in the name of the Association at a branch of a charter bank, credit union, or other financial institution in Canada by any officers or an employee so designated by the Board	Correction
<u>Change #2 – BY-LAW 4.1.3 ELECTION OF OFFICERS</u>		
The Board shall elect a full slate of officers from the names of members of the OAAS Board of Directors presented by the Nomination Committee and from nominations from the floor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President of the Association and Chair of the Board • First Vice President and Vice-chair of the Board, • Second Vice President • shall install the Past President. The election takes place at the fall OAAS Board meeting and comes into effect following the annual meeting.	The Board shall elect a full slate of officers from the names of members of the OAAS Board of Directors presented by the Nomination Committee and from nominations from the floor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President of the Association and Chair of the Board • First Vice President and Vice-chair of the Board, • Second Vice President • Member-at-Large • shall install the Past President. The election takes place at the fall January OAAS Board meeting and comes into effect following the annual meeting.	Since the districts haven't held their fall meetings to elect their provincial director (if it is election year). Once they determine those positions, then the current Board would elect a full slate of officers. It was determined to member-at-large at the same time. Since the new directors coming for the most don't know one another yet. With this change BY-LAW 4.1.3.1 Member-at-large would be removed and be part of BY-LAW 4.1.3 ELECTION OF OFFICERS. passed July 22 2025

Change #3 – BY-LAW 4.1.3.1 MEMBER AT LARGE

The Board shall appoint or elect from among the Provincial Directors a Member-at-Large at its first meeting following the annual meeting of the Association.	The Board shall appoint or elect from among the Provincial Directors a Member-at-Large at its first meeting following the annual meeting of the Association.	Explanation above
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Change #4 – BY-LAW 3.2.1.2 QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE DIRECTOR POSITION

f) must continue to be a member in good standing of an Agricultural Society, who is a member of the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies as set out in the By-law 2. They must remain in good standing for the duration of the director's term.	f) must continue to be a member in good standing of an Agricultural Society, who in the district they are representing, which is a member of the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies as set out in the By-law 2. They must remain in good standing for the duration of the director's term.	Clarifying that a director must be a member of an agricultural society in the district they represent
i) must sign the Association's Code of Conduct document within 10 days of being elected as a director.	i) must sign the Association's Code of Conduct document within 10 days of being elected as a director and submit by email to the OAAS Administrative Assistant.	Clarifying that the director must submit the signed form to the OAAS.