

**BYLAWS  
Of  
AUSTIN AREA SOCIETY OF HEALTH-SYSTEM PHARMACISTS,  
AN AFFILIATED CHAPTER OF THE  
TEXAS SOCIETY OF HEALTH-SYSTEM PHARMACIST**

**ARTICLE I**

**Name**

The name of this organization is the Austin Area Society of Health-System Pharmacists and may be herein after referred to as "AASHP".

**ARTICLE II**

**Objectives**

**AASHP** shall foster the objectives of the Texas Society of Health-System Pharmacists, herein after referred to as "TSHP". Members of **AASHP** shall strive to implement the professional policies of TSHP among themselves and in the health-systems which they serve.

**ARTICLE III**

**Membership – General**

**Section A: Membership**

The membership in **AASHP** shall be restricted to pharmacist, associate, technician, pharmacy student, technician student and honorary members who are active members of TSHP. All Chapter members should be supportive of the mission of the TSHP. The term of membership will be defined by the application and dues submitted through TSHP.

**Section B: Dues**

Dues amount for all membership categories defined by these Bylaws must be submitted to the TSHP Board of Directors for review prior to implementation. Any member in arrears for dues for 30 days shall cease to be a member.

**Section C: Membership Application**

Applications for membership shall be prepared on the standard form as issued by TSHP in paper or electronic format. Requisite dues must accompany the application. Only membership category criteria as set forth in TSHP Bylaws, Chapter I, Article I, must be met in order to be considered for membership.

**ARTICLE IV**

**Officers**

**Section A: Composition**

The officers of **AASHP** will consist of a President, Immediate Past President, President-Elect, and Secretary/Treasurer.

**Section B: Nomination of Officers**

Nominations for candidates for the offices of President-Elect and Secretary/Treasurer shall be solicited from the membership and/or made from the floor during the annual membership meeting of **AASHP**.

### **Section C: Election of Officers**

The election will be conducted by ballot during the annual membership meeting or electronic vote, which must be held prior to the TSHP's Annual Meeting. The election results will be determined by simple majority.

### **Section D: Installation of Officers**

The officers shall be installed so that the term of **AASHP** leadership coincides with the terms of the TSHP Board of Directors.

### **Section E: Vacancies**

The President, with the approval of the Board of Directors shall appoint a replacement to any vacant office. Should the President vacate his/her office, the President-Elect will assume the office of President and with the approval of the Board of Directors appoint replacements to any vacant office.

## **ARTICLE V** **Board of Directors**

### **Section A: Composition**

The officers of **AASHP**, and others as determined by the **AASHP**, will be the members of the Board of Directors.

### **Section B: Meetings**

In addition to the organizational meetings, the Board of Directors shall meet at such other times as it may determine, at the call of its President or upon the request of three members of the Board of Directors.

### **Section C: Duties**

The Board of Directors shall be the officiating committee of the Society. The Board of Directors will determine the need for and initiate Committees, Councils or Groups that will benefit **AASHP** and its membership. The Board of Directors should maintain the integrity and professionalism of **AASHP** and assure its good standing with TSHP.

### **Section D: Quorum**

Fifty percent (50%) of the members of the Board of Directors serving shall constitute a quorum for meetings of the Board of Directors.

### **Section E: Minutes of Meeting**

Minutes will be taken at each meeting of the Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE VI** **Membership Meetings**

### **Section A: Number of Meetings**

A general Membership Meeting of **AASHP** shall be conducted at least once per year.

### **Section B: Quorum**

Fifteen of the active members in attendance shall constitute a quorum for a meeting.

### **Section C: Minutes of Meeting**

Minutes will be taken at the general membership meeting.

## ARTICLE VII

### **Affiliation**

The **AASHP** shall be an affiliated chapter of TSHP and shall meet the Requirements of Affiliation as required by TSHP. Members of **AASHP** must be active members of TSHP.

## ARTICLE VIII

### **Inactive Status**

At such time the **AASHP**, as an Affiliate Chapter finds that sufficient interest does not exist among members in the area to continue an active organization, it may become inactive for a period not to exceed 365 days. In doing so, **AASHP** shall forfeit its representation on the TSHP Board of Directors, if required by TSHP Bylaws and shall forward any remaining chapter monies to TSHP to be held in escrow for re-organization of **AASHP**. If **AASHP**, as an Affiliate Chapter does not re-organize within 365 days of inactive status **AASHP** will be dissolved.

## ARTICLE IX

### **Disaffiliation**

Failure of **AASHP** to continue to meet the requirements as set for by TSHP may be grounds for disaffiliation. Disaffiliation of an Affiliated Chapter shall be considered by the TSHP Board of Directors at a regularly scheduled meeting. Following these considerations, the President of **AASHP** shall be notified within 14 days and shall have the opportunity, no later than the next scheduled TSHP Board meeting, to show cause as to why the disaffiliation should not occur. Disaffiliation shall take place by a majority vote of the TSHP Board of Directors. An Affiliated Chapter that has been disaffiliated may apply for affiliation as set forth in these Bylaws.

## ARTICLE X

### **Liquidation**

In the event of liquidation and dissolution of **AASHP**, financial closure shall be as follows:

- A. All liabilities and obligations of the **AASHP** shall be paid and discharged, or adequate provision shall be made therefore.
- B. Assets held by the **AASHP** subject to legally valid requirements for their return, transfer or conveyance, upon dissolution and liquidation, shall be returned, transferred, or conveyed as required.
- C. All remaining assets held by **AASHP** shall be transferred or conveyed, without obligation or restriction to the Texas Society of Health System Pharmacists, to be used in whatever manner it shall deem appropriate.

## ARTICLE XI

### **Amendments**

Any proposition to alter or amend these Bylaws shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary/Treasurer of the **AASHP** by two or more active members at a regular meeting. A majority vote of those present at this meeting is required for approval. The proposition must be submitted to the Texas Society of Health-System Pharmacists for final approval.