# **Life Members Policy**

**Date Approved:** December 2001 **Date Revised:** November 2015

#### Rationale:

Any member of the Association who has demonstrated extraordinary service to the profession and the Association at both the state and local level, and who, throughout their career has contributed to the careers of others for the advancement of the profession is eligible for life membership. Life membership is considered among the highest, most prestigious honors awarded by the Association and is reserved for those rare individuals who have contributed unyieldingly to the Association. It follows closely behind the Lt. Col. John Dillin Lifetime Achievement Award.

Life members shall not be liable for dues or assessments. (Article III, Section 2c)

## Procedure:

- 1. A nomination to award life membership:
  - a. Can be made by any voting member in good standing; and
  - b. Must have been approved by the Chapter Board.
- 2. Nominations from members-at-large shall be sent directly to the Immediate Past President.
- 3. Nominations will be reviewed by the Past Presidents' Council, which will render a recommendation whether or not to award life membership prior to the third state board meeting. Recommendations from the Past Presidents' Council for life membership must be followed by a unanimous vote of both the Board of Directors and membership present at any regular meeting.

## Responsibility:

The Past Presidents' Council is responsible for reviewing nominations and making recommendations. Final responsibility for approval lies with the State Board.

### **Resources:**

None required.