

## NOTICE OF BYLAW AMENDMENTS TO BE VOTED ON AT ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The following amendments have been recommended by the Bylaws Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. If approved by a 2/3 majority of the membership present at the annual meeting, they will become law. Questions or comments may be addressed to the Chairman of the Bylaws Committee, Sandy.Stevens9086@gmail.com.

1. Motion to *amend name of Book/Software Committee to Book/Software/Technology Committee*. This will affect Article XII Sections 1 and 3. The change is necessary because of the changing nature of tools available to bridge teachers and students.
2. Motion to formalize a Conflict of Interest (COI) Policy to be introduced prior to the current Article XVI.

*To guaranty the trust of the Bridge Community in the integrity and independence of the American Bridge Teachers' Association's (ABTA) review and decision-making processes, as well as ABTA's adherence to high standards of conduct and ethics, a conflict of interest policy is essential.*

1. *A COI is hereby defined as a situation in which an Officer, Director, Committee member, volunteer, employee or any other person or organization working on behalf of the ABTA holds multiple interests, personal, financial or otherwise, any of which could possibly influence the motivation or decision-making of that individual or organization.*
2. *The ABTA COI Policy shall be detailed in the Board Standing Rules of Procedure.*

3. Motion to add Section B SEMINAR to Article VII. ANNUAL CONVENTION

*It has long been a custom of the ABTA to include a Seminar as part of the Annual Convention. Therefore:*

- 1. A Seminar may be added to the Annual Convention as a separate part.*
- 2. The Program Chairman for the Seminar may be a separate individual or may be the same as the Convention Program Chairman.*