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TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Awards Committee
DATE: 27 May 2009
RE: Change in Language to Awards Committee Charge

RECOMMENDATION: The Board of Directors accept the proposed changes in the Awards Committee charge as noted in yellow.

RATIONALE: By including the third year members of the board in the membership of the Committee allows for a more efficient distribution of duties in any given year.

Currently, the listing of awards in the committee charge needs to be changed each time the Board adds or subtracts an Association award; removing the listing of specific awards will enable the board to accept or reject awards without amending the committee charge.

Awards and Honors Committee

REVISED CHARGE:

Five members, including the two most recent Past Presidents, each serving as Chair of the Committee in his/her second year, the President-Elect, and two members of the Board who are serving in the third year of their term (~~delete--the Past Chairs of the Chapter and Division Cabinet~~). The Past Presidents serve two-year terms and the President-Elect and third year board members (~~delete--Past Chairs of the Chapter and Division Cabinet~~) serve 1 year terms. The Committee shall:

1. Recommend to the Board of Directors a program for Association-wide awards & honors,
2. review and recommend to the Conference Committee changes to the recognition ceremony and the promotion of the awards and the recipients.
3. elect according to the criteria stated for each award and report to the Board of Directors the recipients of the association awards." (~~delete--SLA Professional Award, the SLA Hall of Fame Award, the SLA John Cotton Dana Award, the SLA Presidential Citation, the Dow Jones Leadership Award, the Rose L. Vormelker Award, the Lexis Nexis Innovations in Technology Award, the SLA Member Achievement Award and the recipients of the designation Fellow of SLA~~);
4. report to the Board of Directors the recipients of Association-wide awards or honors selected by other Association committees;
5. coordinate those activities of any Association committee relating to SLA's Association-Wide Awards & Honors Program, and;
6. recommend to the Board of Directors the recipients of honorary membership in SLA.

(The Director, Public Relations is an *ex-officio* member of the Committee and the Association Office contact.) *Committee definition revised June 2007.*