

## Committee Resolution

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WHEREAS, the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians' desire to utilize a committee structure to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of its Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians' bylaws are rigid in that they do not give the Board the flexibility to redefine committee structures or the mission of committees, nor permits special committees; and

WHEREAS, due to the changing healthcare landscape, the effectiveness of a medical association's board is dependent on their committees' ability to focus their effort on activities that permit the board to focus more exclusively on the strategic mission; and

WHEREAS, in order to recruit busy family physicians to serve on a board, fellow chapters of the American Academy of Family Physicians have discovered that recruiting is more effective if the board's time and talents are focused on long term strategy through the utilization of consensus reports agenda; and

WHEREAS, it was noted at the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians' 2016 strategic planning retreat that there is a need to redefine the mission and function of committees in order to best address membership needs; and

WHEREAS, the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians' 2016 strategic planning retreat recommended replacing the current seven (7) standing committees with (4) standing committees;

WHEREAS, the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians' current (7) standing committees are as follows: Advocacy, Leadership, Communication, Education, Bylaws, Finance, and Practice Enhancement; and

WHEREAS, the drafters and signers of this resolution believe that the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians, in order to implement the goals and objectives of the 2016 strategic plan, would be best served by granting the Board of Directors of the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians the flexibility to create standing and special committees as deemed necessary to accomplish the goals and objectives of the strategic plan; and

RESOLVED, that the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians replace, in its entirety, Chapter XII of its current 2015 bylaws with "*Chapter XII: Committees Section 1. The Board of Directors may appoint such standing or special committees to assist in the work of the KAFP as it deems necessary*".