

<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>Code Changes 2019: Joint Committee Meetings</b>
<b>MEETING DATE</b>	<b>July 31, 2019</b>
<b>MOTION</b>	<p><b>“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Joint Committee Meetings’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”</b></p> <p><b>Note Requires 2/3rds</b></p>
<b>PREPARED BY</b>	Governance Committee – Katherine Westerlund Chair
<b>DOCUMENTS</b>	1. Code Changes 2019: Joint Committee meetings

**DESCRIPTION & RATIONALE**

We noticed that there are many issues the AMS wishes to tackle which require the contributions of multiple committees, but the current method of having individual meetings and talking back and forth is inefficient.

We are proposing a basic mechanism through which multiple committees could meet together at the same time to work through problems they may be trying to both work on, to make collaboration more efficient.

**BENEFITS**  
Reputational,  
Financial,  
Sustainable, Social

Committee work becomes more efficient. Chairing committees becomes easier.

**RISKS**  
Financial,  
Operational,  
Reputational

N/A

**COSTS** N/A  
Financial,  
Resources, Lifecycle

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**TIMELINE** Immediately doable post council approval.  
Implementation  
Timeline

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**CONSULTATION** AMS Governance Committee, Privacy Officer.  
Internal & External  
Groups

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**ATTACHMENT #1 – Attachment Name**

**CODE CHANGES 2019:  
JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

TO: Council  
FROM: Governance Committee  
*July 2019*

Amendment to allow committees to meet together.

Additions are indicated by ***bold italics***. Deletions are indicated by striking through (like ~~this~~).

**SECTION V: COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL**

**Article 1. General**

***23. Joint Committee Meetings***

- (a) ***Any two or more committees may meet together to conduct business relevant to their mandates.***
- (b) ***For such a meeting, the chairs of the committees taking part shall decide which of them shall chair the joint meeting. One of the other chairs shall serve as vice-chair.***
- (c) ***For the meeting to achieve quorum, there must be a quorate number of members attending from each of the participating committees.***
- (d) ***Even if a member belongs to more than one committee, they shall have only one vote at the joint meeting.***
- (e) ***Minutes and agendas for the joint meeting shall be posted on the Society's website in the location for each of the committees involved in the joint meeting.***
- (f) ***All the other rules for committees in this Article shall apply to joint committee meetings, except for the provision in paragraph 15 above about budgets.***