

On September 27, 2024, the Board voted to approve the following:

Long-Range Planning Committee Charge

Long-range planning by the ASC Board is crucial to the health of an organization insofar as it invites the Board to think systematically about the ASC in terms of who we are, where we are, where we are going, how we want to get there, and how we want to do what we do along the way. In simple terms, long-range planning determines concrete processes and actions needed to achieve strategic goals. It also focuses on setting priorities, aligning resources, forecasting, and handling unexpected changes.

The Long-Range Planning Committee (LRPC) is thus charged with preparing a long-range plan for the Society. The new plan shall propose an Executive Director transition plan and a financial plan associated with that transition. The LRPC shall use the materials from the earlier LRPCs as a point of departure and build upon the careful thought and deliberations associated with this previous work. As part of this plan, the committee shall examine the formal structure of the ASC, enumerate the core offices (elective and administrative) and delineate their functions. The recommendations of the new LRPC that are approved by the Board shall be implemented without delay. In addition, the LRPC shall provide guidance on the development of a vision for the future of the organization that attends to the needs and expectations of the membership, including identifying priorities in strategic initiatives, communications, and branding. The LRPC can request relevant materials from the Executive Office and the Board as well as external materials as needed. Each year, the LRPC shall provide an interim progress report by April 15th and a final report by due October 15. These reports will be agendaized for discussion at board meetings. Ideally, the first report will have addressed the transition plan that, if approved by the board, can commence; and the second report shall lay out a more fully developed vision for the future of the organization.