

## **The Bylaws Committee – approved by CAPA BOD, April 2020**

The current CAPA Bylaws was authored by an ad hoc Bylaws Committee appointed by two CAPA presidents, Dr. Ping Tang and Yun Gong in 2018. With their strong support and 6 month joint efforts by 15 committee members, the earlier version of the Bylaws was fruitfully revised to reflect the best interest to our organization and our CAPA members. The Bylaws was subsequently ratified by the CAPA members in August, 2018, and it has served CAPA very well since then.

Recently the executive committee (EC) of CAPA has submitted some bylaws amendment proposals to the Board of Directors (BOD). These proposals were generated by some CAPA members as well as during the functional activity of EC. To serve the best interest of CAPA and its members, BOD has decided to organize a new Bylaws Committee (BC) to review these proposals, discuss their rationality and necessity, and present to the BOD the recommendations on the proposals submitted for review. The BC may conduct the revision/amendment when deemed necessary with authorization of BOD.

To fulfill the above tasks an ad hoc BC has been organized and all members are appointed by the BOD. The Committee members are well representative and qualified with either great Bylaws knowledge or experience in CAPA leadership.

The Bylaws Committee (BC)

Chair: Dr. Ruoqing Huang

Vice Chair and Legal advisor: Dr. Feng Li

Secretaries: Dr. Xiaoxian Li and Dr. Linsheng Zhang

Members: Dr. Liang Wang, Dr. Xiangdong Xu, Dr. Shimin Hu, Dr. Huanyou Wang, Dr. Huihong Xu, Dr. Haodong Xu, Dr. Dan Lu, Dr. Xiaohua Qian, Dr. Beiyun Chen, Dr. Jun Wang, Dr. Ruliang Xu

As per current Bylaws, the BOD is authorized to adopt, amend or repeal the Bylaws of CAPA. The BOD must adopt a resolution specifying the proposed amendment to the Articles of the organization and directing that the amendment be submitted to a vote at an annual or special meeting, by ballots emails to the qualified members, or by online voting. The affirmative vote of the simple majority of qualified members who cast their votes within the voting period shall be accepted for approval of the amendments to the Bylaws. The amended Bylaws shall take effect immediately after the confirmation of the affirmative results by the BOD which shall monitor the entire voting process.