

Assembly of Delegates Discussion Topic Proposal

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Proposed Discussion Topic:

How can chapters more effectively utilize their Delegates throughout the year to strengthen communication between members, chapter leadership, and National, while also giving Delegates a clearer and more active role within the chapter?

Summary Rationale:

The AOD should dedicate agenda time to this topic because Delegates are a critical but underutilized link between members, chapters, and National.

Many chapters activate Delegates only around the annual AOD meeting, leaving significant gaps in communication, member outreach, and leadership alignment throughout the year.

A focused discussion would help establish clearer expectations for year-round Delegate involvement and create shared best practices that strengthen the entire association.

Chapters vary widely in how they use Delegates, resulting in inconsistent communication pathways and missed opportunities.

By exploring this topic together, the AOD can identify effective models for ongoing member outreach, improving transparency, and ensuring Delegates have a meaningful, active role beyond the annual meeting cycle.

This conversation directly supports AMTA's goals for member-driven decision-making, leadership development, and organizational cohesion.

List up to two questions you'd like to pose for discussion by the AOD:

1. How can chapters establish consistent, year-round structures that enable Delegates to gather and share meaningful member-informed perspectives

2. What shared expectations or best practices should AMTA develop to ensure Delegates are effectively integrated into chapter operations beyond the annual AOD meeting?

What do you want to accomplish with this discussion?

The goal of this discussion is to determine how AMTA can create a more consistent, effective, and year-round model for Delegate engagement that strengthens communication between members, chapters, and National.

By examining current gaps and inconsistencies, we aim to identify shared expectations, practical structures, and accountability measures that empower Delegates to serve as active communication bridges rather than once-a-year participants.

This discussion should help chapters clarify the Delegate role, adopt sustainable practices for ongoing member feedback, and ensure Delegates have meaningful responsibilities that support chapter leadership and reflect member priorities.