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Dear Friends:

As the appointed parliamentarian of RSDAA, I would like to update you on information on our activities pertaining to the bylaws.

The RSDAA board members will tell you that they really don't need me to help them run their board meetings. They are old pros now! Regardless, I enjoy attending these meetings, on the stand by to answer any questions about the bylaws.

Through my position, I have a unique perspective of the bylaws. Through my regular attendance at board meetings, I have observed that the Board is clearly committed to the mission of RSDAA. It is also amazing to watch the Board always looking for ways to improve. They have logged in many and many hours of volunteering, doing a lot of good things for RSD students!!

There are two committees that are important to RSDAA that have not been active – scholarship and nominating. The scholarship committee is a group of RSDAA members that “determine and present scholarship awards to former students of the school” (Article III, Section 1.B). The nominating committee is a group of “a board member and two other association members appointed by the Board to review nominations to determine the eligibility of nominees for membership and awards” (Article III, Section 1.G). RSDAA needs 2 volunteers from the association to serve on each of these two committees, totaling 4 volunteers. Please seriously think about serving on one of these committees.

From my point of view, the biggest task that the scholarship committee needs to do is to develop a scholarship application form from which RSD graduates can use to apply for awards.

I am not familiar with the developmental history of the nominating committee, so it would be most helpful to RSDAA for those who are already familiar to reconsider joining this committee to help clarify its purpose. The other possible task facing this committee is to develop a process from which nominations can be solicited for its review.

Please submit any ideas for improvement of the bylaws to me at [PRCNGE@rit.edu](mailto:PRCNGE@rit.edu) by June 30, 2007. I hope to see you at the RSDAA Spaghetti Dinner and Bingo event on April 21st!

Regards,

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