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<p>Change election of officer procedures from in person to online.</p>	<p>While current election procedures are in compliance with GACTE Board rules, there is a benefit to changing election procedures to online /digital voting. Implementing online voting will modernize and streamline the current election processes. This will save resources of time and effort, thus expediting the election process. It will also reduce the possibility of human error. This proposed change has the expressed full support of the GACTE Executive and State Boards which includes representation from every affiliate.</p>	<p>Article VI-Election of Officers Section 3-Procedures of Election A. The GACTE Nominating Committee shall present to the membership candidates for the offices of president-elect, secretary, and/or treasurer in the pre-conference issue of the any GACTE publication disseminated to all members electronically. A sample ballot The names of approved nominees, biographical sketches, and platform statements shall also be published on the GACTE website and provided to the membership prior to the opening of voting. at the conference. B. Voting for the offices of president-elect, secretary and/or treasurer shall be held during the annual state conference, allowing to allow sufficient time before the end of the annual meeting to count the ballots. The Executive Committee shall appoint a committee of three GACTE Members that are not members of the candidates' divisions who shall count all ballots. This committee who shall certify to the Executive Committee the names of the persons duly elected. In case of a tie vote, the GACTE Executive Committee shall cast the deciding vote. A plurality vote shall constitute an election.</p>
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<p>Authorize Executive Board to temporarily suspend by-laws in emergency situations.</p>	<p>Emergency situations occur when catastrophic events happen such as COVID, or when there is a sudden change to the Executive Board officers due to illness, job changes, restrictions on fulfilling duties in person, etc. Authorizing the Executive Board to temporarily suspend by-laws in emergency situations will help expedite processes. This proposed change has the expressed full support of the GACTE Executive and State Boards which includes representation from every affiliate.</p>	<p>Article VIII-Executive Committee Addition to the By-Laws Section 3-Emergency Authorization The Executive Committee shall be authorized to temporarily suspend any by-laws for the purpose of carrying on the business of the organization during an emergency situation.</p>