The items listed below were approved by the General Assembly. Detailed unofficial text of these approved changes in bylaws, oral health policies, and clinical guidelines are provided on the AAPD Web site (www.aapd.org) members-only section.

Final text of these approved changes will be published in the 2005 edition of the Membership Directory (Constitution and Bylaws) and Reference Manual (Oral Health Policies and Clinical Guidelines).

The minutes as presented below will be officially approved at the beginning of the General Assembly during the 2005 AAPD Annual Session.

**ACTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

I. Minutes of 56th Annual Session, New York, New York
   Approved

II. The Nominations Committee presented recommendations for the 2004-05 slate of officers. There were no nominations from the floor. Therefore, the General Assembly considered the slate for election in one motion:

   - President-elect: H. Pitts Hinson
   - Vice President: Philip H. Hunke
   - Secretary-Treasurer: Keith R. Morley
   - Trustee at Large: Bradley R. Smith
   - American Board of Pediatric Dentistry Director: Monica H. Cipes

   Approved

III. Oral Health Policies, Clinical Guidelines, or Endorsements as presented by the Council on Clinical Affairs Reference Committee

   Approve/Reaffirm Existing Definitions, Policies or Guidelines as Presented:
   1. Policy on the dental home
   2. Policy on alternative restorative treatment (ART)

   Approved with changes as noted:
   line 20: Add reference to Guideline on pediatric restorative dentistry.
3. Guideline on infant oral health care

4. Guideline on pediatric restorative dentistry
   Delete lines 174-176
   line 147: without
   line 184: Add reference to Policy on alternative restorative treatment (ART).
   line 314: delete “Its main disadvantage is its appearance.”
   line 323: delete “A caries-risk assessment should be included when making the decision to restore teeth with SSC’s.”
   p. 163, line 87, and p. 165, line 185 (“Protective base” paragraph, under “Primary Teeth” and “Young Permanent Teeth”: add “and all the caries is removed”: “Indications: In a tooth with normal pulp, when dentin is exposed and all the caries is removed during preparation…”

5. Guideline on pulp therapy for primary and young permanent teeth

6. Guideline on management for acute dental trauma

7. Guideline on dental management of patients receiving chemotherapy, bone marrow transplantation and/or radiation therapy
   lines 357-358: Delete sentence “There is a variety of protocols available.” Add: “The International Society for Oral Oncology has published guidelines for treatment of mucositis.” Add reference.
   Add formula for determining absolute neutrophil count (ANC) to the Resource Section of the Reference Manual.

8. Withdraw Endorsement of Policy on Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery for Infants, Children, and Adolescents

9. Endorse revised version of Periodontal Diseases of Children and Adolescents

10. Endorse revised version of Policy on Infection Control
Approve new Definitions, Oral Health Policies, Clinical Guidelines, or Endorsements on the following topics:

1. Definition of “special health care needs”
2. Guideline on management of persons with special health care needs
3. Guideline on record keeping/patient care documentation

After the dentist has presented the treatment plan, the parent/legal guardian should have the opportunity to ask questions regarding the proposed care and have concerns satisfied prior to signing an informed consent form giving informed consent. In addition to the signed form, the dentist should document that the parent appeared to understand and accepted the proposed procedures. Any special restrictions of the parent/legal guardian should be documented.

Change “must” to “should”

Appendix I - Medical history:

Line 275: Change “Sores” to “Lesions”
Line 284: Change “Snoring” to “Apnea/snoring”
Line 298: Change “Breathing problems” to “Reactive airway disease/breathing problems”
Line 304: Change “Gastroesophageal/acid reflux” to “Gastroesophageal/acid reflux disease”
Line 340: Change “Headaches” to “Headaches/migraines”
Line 342: Change “Shunts” to “Shunts (VP, VA)”
Line 355: Change
4. Endorsement of the AAPerio’s *Treatment of Plaque-Induced Gingivitis, Chronic Periodontitis, and Other Clinical Conditions*

5. Policy Statement on Dental Bleaching for Pediatric and Adolescent Patients

IV. Ad Hoc Committee on Sedation and Anesthesia

1. Guideline on the elective use of minimal, moderate, and deep sedation and general anesthesia for pediatric dental patients

2. Policy on the use of deep sedation and general anesthesia in the pediatric dental office

V. Constitution and Bylaws changes presented by the Council on Constitution and Bylaws Reference Committee

1. Allow nominations by individuals for district trustees

2. Unexpected vacancy by an appointed officer

3. Review of contracts by the Executive

Approved with no changes

Line 16: Delete “small”
Committee

4. Make Constitution and Bylaws gender neutral and correct grammatical errors
5. Modify the deadline for an amendment to the Bylaws
6. Clarify tenure of appointed officers
7. Dues structure for predoctoral student members
8. Correct references to Council on Dental Education and Licensure to reflect nomenclature of Commission on Dental Accreditation
9. Designate one of the three at-large trustee positions on the Board for a full time academician