

AC315 CROP, FORAGE & TURFGRASS MANAGEMENT EDITORIAL BOARD

- A. Status: Special committee
- B. Composition: The *Crop, Forage & Turfgrass Management* Editorial Board shall be composed of an Editor, Technical Editors, Associate Editors, Editors-in-Chief, Managing Editor (ex officio, without vote), CSSA Publications Director (ex officio, without vote), and other persons as necessary to accomplish its editorial responsibilities promptly.

C. Tenure: The CSSA Editor-in-Chief will be appointed by the CSSA President, after ratification by the CSSA Board of Directors, for a three-year term with eligibility for reappointment for a second three-year term, but not a third term without an intervening three-year period. The appointment for CSSA Editor-in-Chief may be terminated at any time by a two-thirds majority vote of the CSSA Board of Directors. All CSSA journals will use an open-call process for Editor-in-Chief and Editors.

Per ASA Bylaws, Article X. Publications:

SECTION 1. The board of directors shall determine the general nature, number, and editorial policy and practices of publications of the society and shall solicit recommendations on these matters from persons in editorial positions. Maintenance of editorial standards of the society shall be under the direction of the editor-in-chief through the various editorial boards and committees of the society.

SECTION 2. The society shall publish an official technical journal which carries papers, official notices, committee reports, and other items of society business. This journal shall be known as *Agronomy Journal*.

SECTION 4. The editor-in-chief shall be nominated by the president and confirmed by the board of directors. The term of office for the editor-in-chief shall be for 3 years. The appointment may be terminated at any time by a two-thirds majority vote of the voting members of the board of directors. The editor-in-chief shall provide leadership and coordinate the approved editorial policies and practices of all publications of the ASA.

SECTION 5. Editorial boards shall be responsible for the content and quality of the Society's journals. Each journal editorial board shall consist of the editor-in-chief, editor, and such other persons as are necessary to accomplish editorial responsibility promptly. The appointment of an editor may be terminated at any time by a two-thirds majority vote of the voting members of the board of directors. The position of editor of a journal, and the appointee, shall be separate from that of editor-in-chief.

Per CSSA Bylaws, Article XIII. Publications:

SECTION 1. The CSSA board of directors shall determine the general nature, the number, and the editorial policy, standards, and practices of publications of the society and shall solicit recommendations on these matters from persons in editorial positions. Maintenance of editorial standards of the society shall be under the direction of the editor-in-chief through the editorial board(s) and committees of CSSA.

SECTION 2. The CSSA shall publish an official technical journal which carries papers, official notices, committee reports, and other items of society business. This journal shall be known as *Crop Science*. The *Crop Science* editorial board shall be responsible for the content and quality of the journal under the policies established by the board of directors.

SECTION 4. The editor-in-chief shall be nominated by the CSSA president and ratified by the board of directors. The term of office for the editor-in-chief shall be for three years with eligibility for reappointment for a second three-year period, but not a third term without an intervening three-year period. The appointment may be terminated at any time by a two-thirds majority vote of the board of directors. The editor-in-chief serves as an ex officio, without-vote member of the CSSA board of directors, as an ex officio member of all CSSA editorial committees, and as a member of the editorial policy coordinating committee. The editor-in-chief shall coordinate the editorial policies and practices approved by the board of directors for all CSSA publications and carry out such functions as designated by the board of directors.

The CSSA Editor-in-Chief appoints the journal's Editor in consultation and agreement with the ASA editor-in-chief and on behalf of the ASA and CSSA presidents, after ratification by the CSSA Board of Directors, for a three-year term with eligibility for reappointment for a second three-year term, but not a third term without an intervening three-year period. The appointment for CSSA Editor may be terminated at any time by a two-thirds majority vote of the CSSA Board of Directors. All CSSA journals will use an open-call process for Editor-in-Chief and Editors.

Before an Editor is reappointed to a second three-year term, he/she is asked by the appropriate society Editor-in-Chief if he/she agrees to serve another term. Technical Editors and others will be contacted to determine whether the current Editor has support to continue in the position and whether there are any concerns. The Editor-in-Chief then makes a recommendation to the society Board of Directors, who make the final approval. If the Editor has completed two terms of service (six continuous years), does not desire to serve a second term, is terminated or non-renewed based upon action by the Board of Directors, or is unable to continue to serve for any reason, then an open call article will be published in CSA News. In some cases, an Interim Editor may be appointed by the Editor-in-Chief after approval of the Board of Directors. After the closing date published in the open call article, the Editor-in-Chief and the Executive Committee will review the applicants and make a recommendation to the Board of Directors for final approval.

The CSSA Editor-in-Chief appoints the journal's Technical Editors in consultation and agreement with the ASA editor-in-chief and on behalf of the ASA and CSSA presidents after consultation with the editor. The addition of Technical Editor positions requires Executive Committee approval.

The Editor appoints the journal's Associate Editors on behalf of the CSSA President.

The Managing Editor supervises production of *Crop, Forage & Turfgrass Management*.

Both Technical and Associate Editors are appointed for three-year terms and are eligible for reappointment for one additional three-year term.

D. Functions:

1. To establish editorial procedures by which manuscripts are received, reviewed, revised, accepted and published, and implement Editorial and Publication Policy for *Crop, Forage & Turfgrass Management*, as approved by the ASA and CSSA Boards of Directors.
2. To review and process manuscripts submitted for publication in *Crop, Forage & Turfgrass Management*.
3. To recommend policy with respect to *Crop, Forage & Turfgrass Management* for consideration by the ASA and CSSA Boards of Directors.
4. To submit an annual report of the committee activities to the ASA and CSSA Boards of Directors and to the ASA and CSSA Executive Committees, via the Headquarters Office.

E. President's Responsibilities to the Editorial Board:

1. Makes appointments to the Editorial Board as outlined in C. Tenure.
2. Remains alert to any substantive problems arising in connection with the management of *Crop, Forage & Turfgrass Management* and initiates actions to alleviate these problems.
3. Refers editorial and publication problems for action and/or recommendation.