The Executive Board took up the four governance proposals on Saturday, August 29. The board considered a number of amendments during its discussion. Two were adopted. Here is what the Executive Board approved.

**Executive Board structure**. The Executive Board approved a proposal to move from 15 regions to nine. Each region would receive one base seat plus one additional seat for each full 3,750 REALTOR® members, and no region would hold fewer than three seats. On current membership, that would produce 48 Regional Vice President seats, including the designated district seat for Greater El Paso. The formula is designed to better balance representation with membership while ensuring every part of the state has a meaningful voice. Every region would have at least three seats, recognizing both geography and the challenges of representing larger multi-association regions.

**Board of Directors size**. Each local association would elect one Director for every 2,000 REALTOR® members, replacing the current one per 1,000. Every local association would keep at least one Director. No association would lose its seat on the Board of Directors.

**RVP qualifications**. Two years of prior local board service, up from one. The Texas REALTOR® Party Leadership Summit is added to the meetings that can count toward the existing four of six meeting eligibility requirement. One term-limit standard now applies in every region: no more than two consecutive full two-year terms, followed by a two-year break—one term—before becoming eligible again. As originally proposed, that break was four years.

**Nominations and elections**. Texas REALTORS® publishes every RVP vacancy to the membership and any qualified member may apply directly. The Credentials Committee reviews every applicant under one standardized process statewide, and a formal, confidential process also allows local association leadership to provide input as part of the review.

**What happens now**. Some of these changes are Credentials Policy, which the Executive Board has the authority to amend on its own. Those changes do not require further Board of Directors action. The rest require Bylaws amendments, and Saturday's action was the step that formally proposes them. The Board of Directors votes on those at the Winter Meeting in February 2027, and Bylaws amendments require a two-thirds vote. Every director will receive written notice of the exact language at least thirty days beforehand. Until that vote is taken, the Bylaws changes remain proposals.

For anyone who wants to dig deeper, you can review the full Governance Proposal and Board of Directors packet. It includes the four proposals as approved by the Executive Board, the nine region map and RVP seat allocations, background and analysis behind the recommendations, detailed FAQs, and an association by association look at the proposed Board of Directors allocation.

Many thanks to the Governance Review Work Group, and to everyone who sat through a Zoom session, a regional meeting or a survey to get us here. Member input has shaped this work from the start.

Sincerely,

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