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Submitted By:	Council on Peer Review and Quality Assurance		
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Report of the Council on Peer Review and Quality Assurance

1 Since the last House of Delegates meeting, the Council on Peer Review and Quality
 2 Assurance met on October 27, 2023, and April 5, 2024. Minutes of these meetings are
 3 on file in the NYSDA office and have been distributed to the Board of Trustees and to
 4 component presidents, presidents-elect, executive directors and council chairs.
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6 **Case Review:** At each of its meetings, members of the Council discuss cases they
 7 have worked on. In this forum, they are able to bounce questions and ideas off one
 8 another for unique and sometimes difficult cases. This has proved to be a useful tool
 9 for Council members when dealing with new cases on the local level.
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11 **Appeals:** There were five peer review hearings that were appealed since the last
 12 House of Delegates meeting. Four of the requests were denied because they did not
 13 meet the requirements for an appeal. One case was granted an appeal.
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15 **Peer Review Term Limits:** Peer review is a formal arbitration process. It takes a lot of
 16 training and a lot of experience to make a good arbitrator. Therefore, turning
 17 experienced people out and replacing them with new, inexperienced people is not
 18 beneficial to the process on the state or component level. The Council encourages
 19 training new people on the local level to gain experience, but it believes the state, as the
 20 decider of all peer review appeals and the administrative body for the entire arbitration
 21 process, should remain more consistent. An appropriate resolution is submitted.
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23 **Nomination of Chair:** The Council unanimously recommended Dr. Lawrence J.
 24 Lehman to incoming NYSDA President, Dr. Prabha Krishnan for appointment as
 25 Council chair from June 2024-25. If selected, this will be Dr. Lehman’s first term as
 26 chair.
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28 **Nomination of Lay Observer:** Mr. Bill Ketzner is recommended as the appointee for the
 29 position of lay observer.
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Resolution

Resolution 12 (320)

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