CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED  The Steering Committee has proposed two amendments to the Constitution and several changes in the By-Laws to be acted upon at the Annual Meeting.

The Constitution of AMCBT requires that amendments to the Constitution be considered by the Steering Committee and then submitted to the membership in writing two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting. Amendments to the Constitution require a three-fourths majority of Votes cast by members present at the business session of the Annual Meeting for adoption. Amendments to the By-Laws also require a three-fourths majority for passage.

These changes are proposed to achieve the following:

1. Change the office of secretary-treasurer to secretary with the duties of treasurer to be handled by the Central Office.

2. Change the term of office so that election becomes effective immediately. This would justify new officers in making committee appointments immediately and enable planning for the ensuing years program to begin at an earlier date. It would be possible to hold the Steering Committee Meeting in November or December rather than January.

3. Indicate the duties of Steering Committee members in somewhat more detail and indicate formally those expenses of the Steering Committee member which will be reimbursed by the Association.

Copies of the Constitution as amended October, 1975, will be available at the meeting. Consideration of these items will be at the third session of the business meeting.

The following amendments to the Constitution have been considered by the Steering Committee and recommended for passage.

Article IV.

Section 1

Change:  "secretary-treasurer" to "secretary"

Section 2

Change:  "secretary-treasurer" to "secretary"

The following amendments to the by-laws are recommended for passage by the Steering Committee.

Article I

Section 1

Change:  "on the January 1" to "immediately"

Change:  "secretary-treasurer" to "secretary"
Section 4
Delete: Sentence beginning, "he shall also collect"

Section 7
Change: "secretary-treasurer" to "secretary"
Delete: "he shall also collect Association dues, disburse funds as authorized by the Steering Committee, keep a proper record of all monies received and disbursed,"
Change: "secretary-treasurer" to "secretary"

Section 8
Add: New sentence, "He shall also collect Association dues, disburse funds as authorized by the Steering Committee, keep a proper record of all monies received and disbursed, and prepare an annual financial statement."

Section 9
Change: "January 1" to "immediately"

Section 10
Insert, after "make necessary appointments": recommend policy for adoption by the Association,

Add: The Steering Committee shall meet at least twice each year. A winter meeting shall be held as soon as convenient following the Annual Meeting, and the other will be at the time of the Annual Meeting. Other meetings may be called as necessary. The Steering Committee Meetings shall be devoted to appointments of committees, action on committee reports, consideration of constitutional changes, selection of honorary life members, and conduct of all other business of the Association. The principal business of the winter meeting will be the planning of the program for the Annual Meeting. The Association will pay expenses of members of the Steering Committee to the winter meeting if funds are not available from another source. Expenses at the Annual Meeting will not be paid by the Association.