

IAWP Resolution Process Map

1. The Chair of the Resolution Committee will encourage annual IAWP supported Resolutions that represent the will of the membership and address issues that impact law enforcement.
2. Resolution submissions will be received that are crafted by the Chairs of various IAWP working committees, or individual IAWP members, or affiliates.
3. A formalized template will guide the author(s) to ensure that the proposed resolution is clear and that the desired position expressed and action to be taken is in compliance with the goals and mission of the IAWP (see template).
4. Proposed Resolutions will be accompanied by a position paper or a written commentary on the issue.
5. Proposed Resolutions must be submitted to the Resolution Committee Chair for initial review by the last day of April each year.

6. The Resolution Committee Chair will distribute the proposed resolution to the committee for review and arrange a teleconference and/or electronic forum to discuss the proposal.
7. The Resolution Committee will make necessary edits to ensure the proposed Resolution is professional, grammatically correct and properly formatted.
8. Proposed Resolutions that receive preliminary approval by the Resolution Committee will be posted on the Member's only website prior to the IAWP Annual General Membership meeting.
9. The Resolution Committee will ensure that the Proposed Resolution is not contradictory to previously stated positions of the IAWP.
10. The Resolution Chair and Committee will present the Proposed Resolution to the IAWP board, at or prior to the Annual General Membership Meeting to field questions and receive input.
11. The Resolution Chair will present the Proposed Resolutions at the IAWP annual general membership meeting for a yes or no vote of two thirds.
12. Formally approved Resolutions will be accompanied by media statements that will be referred to for communicating the position of IAWP on the issue being supported.

13. Formally approved Resolutions will be published in the IAWP Women Police Magazine following the annual general business meeting which it was voted on and approved.
14. Formally approved Resolutions will be posted to the IAWP public access Website and tracked by year of submission, most current to previous.
15. Resolutions will be dated upon approval and will be reviewed by the committee every three years for relevancy.
16. At the president's discretion, specific working committees may be established when significant issues have been identified through resolutions.

Definitions:

Resolution – is a formal statement of position adopted by an assembly or group. Resolutions may be local, national or international in scope providing that it is aligned with the mission, vision and values of the IAWP.

Proposed Resolution – is a resolution that is crafted for submission and consideration by the Resolution Committee and if preliminarily approved, to be voted upon by the IAWP membership.

Media Lines – Formalized and approved media notes to be referenced for consistency of messaging IAWP’s position on the issue.

Commentary – A written paper submission detailing the issue and providing supporting arguments as to why it should be adopted by IAWP as a formal Resolution.