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1 **PROPOSED BY: ACAPT Board of Directors**

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3 **AC 9-20 AMEND: BYLAWS OF THE AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC PHYSICAL THERAPY TO**  
4 **GRANT MEMBERSHIP TO DEVELOPING PROGRAMS**

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6 *Note: Triple asterisks (\* \* \*) indicate language that is not being amended and therefore has not*  
7 *been included in order to make the document more concise.*

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9 *(Note: This is a motion with two conforming amendments - Parts A-B.)*

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11 **That Bylaws of the American Council of Academic Physical Therapy be amended to grant**  
12 **membership to developing programs:**

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14 **PART A**

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16 **That Bylaws of the American Council of Academic Physical Therapy, Article III. Membership,**  
17 **Section 1: Categories and Qualification of Members, A., (1) Member Institutions, be amended to**  
18 **read:**

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21 **ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP**

22 **Section 1: Categories and Qualifications of Members**

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24 **A. Member Institutions**

25 (1) Institutions of higher education located in the United States of America with a physical  
26 therapist education program that is **recognized as being in some phase of accreditation**  
27 **by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) and pays the**  
28 **annual dues to ACAPT shall be Member Institutions of ACAPT.**

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31 **PART B**

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33 **That Bylaws of the American Council of Academic Physical Therapy, Article VIII. Finance, Section**  
34 **3: Dues, A. The dues shall be as follows, (ii), be amended by removing the following:**

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36 **ARTICLE VIII. FINANCE**

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38 **Section 3: Dues**

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1 **A. The dues shall be as follows**

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4 ~~(ii) Institutions of higher education located in the United States of America with a physical~~  
5 ~~therapist education program that obtain initial accreditation from CAPTE in the fall may~~  
6 ~~pay an one time only half dues of \$1,250 between January 1 – June 30 in the year~~  
7 ~~following their fall accreditation.~~

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9 **SS:** Currently, only those programs which are accredited are eligible for membership in ACAPT.  
10 Institutions who have received initial approval to develop a program are not considered full  
11 members with a voice and vote. The PT faculty leading developing programs are key stakeholders  
12 in supporting the mission and vision of ACAPT.

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14 This amendment provides full member status to developing program institutions and requires  
15 them to pay full membership dues in order to participate in ACAPT.

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18 **CURRENT BYLAW:**

19 [BYLAWS OF THE AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC PHYSICAL THERAPY](#)