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<u>Purpose:</u> to oversee, maintain and preserve the integrity of the standards and policies for the CCA Program, globally.

Objectives:

Maintain Certification Standards: Who can become, how you become and how you maintain the CCA certification, and

Evaluate what countries join the program

Representation and voting process

- A. Each country (national board) gets a seat on the council and has one vote. CCA Representative on the ASA Board is Ex-Officio. ASA Director of Certification is Ex-Officio. ASA President (Executive Committee Representative) is Ex-Officio.
 - Terms up to two consecutive two-year terms
 - National Board selects their representative
 - The representative must be an active CCA and cannot be a paid administrator.
 - New programs that do not yet have CCAs may have an ex-officio representative.

Representation and voting process

- B. Two-thirds of the voting members on the Council must be in favor of a motion for it to go forward
- C. Process the Council would evaluate recommendations brought forward by a national board, if the motion is passed it is then sent back to the national boards for ratification
- D. Approval a sufficient number of **National boards** to represent two-thirds of all CCAs must vote in favor of the motion for it to be approved. A national board vote represents the number of CCAs within the country. For example: US has 10,000 CCAs, if the US national board votes to adopt the Council recommendation, then the US vote is 10,000 in favor.

Responsibilities

- Communication among the countries
- Sounding board for new ideas
- Functions similar to a steering committee
- Makes recommendations to the National Boards who would vote to approve/disapprove
- Be the contact point for the global program
- Develop exchange program among countries
- Arbitration process
- Deals with "standards" related issues that apply or could apply across country lines

Finance

- Start up funds will be established from the current ICCA reserve funds as a line item – International Expansion. To be used to expand the program to new countries with the intent that it will be paid back as the program is established.
- National Boards will cover travel/meeting expenses for their representatives.
- Expenses for meetings will be handled through the CCA - US National Board office/budget center (ASA).

Naming Criteria

- CCA will precede the description to reinforce the connectivity and brand, CCA is the focal point and everything else supports CCA
 - CCA International Council
 - CCA National Board
 - CCA Local Board

4R program

 Motion: Romander/Rubert - to incorporate the 4R nutrient management program into the ICCA Program