

REGION XI BYLAWS NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE INSTRUCTIONS

Creation of Nominations Committee:

Per Article X, Section 2, regional elections shall be held annually during the month of November. And, per Article X Section 1, nominations for those regional offices shall be made to the Nominations Committee elected at the Regional Council meeting prior to the meeting for the election itself i.e. the October Council meeting.

Composition of Nominations Committee:

Per Article IX, Section 9, Paragraph C, the Nominations Committee shall be composed of 5 elected primary regional reps from 5 different chapters. This provision does not rule out additional volunteers but it does require 5 elected primary members.

Duties of the Nominations Committee:

Per Article IX, Section 9, Paragraph C, the Nominations Committee must:

1. Prepare a slate of eligible candidates for presentation to the Council at the October meeting. (See further below.)
2. Accept nominations from the floor of the Council meeting.
3. Obtain from each candidate consent to serve.
4. Verify that the candidates meet all the requirements for the office i.e. is a primary regional rep in good financial standing (must be done prior to the November election).

Preparing the slate of eligible candidates:

This process begins by announcing the offices to be elected and the incumbents eligibility to serve. Since Article X, Section 2, Paragraph A provides that the President, Second Vice President, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer shall hold office beginning in the even number years, it is those positions that are up for election in the odd number years.

2015 positions up for election:

President - Incumbent ineligible (having served two consecutive terms)

Second Vice President - Incumbent eligible (having served one term)

Recording Secretary - Incumbent ineligible (having served two consecutive terms)

Treasurer - Incumbent ineligible (having served two consecutive terms)

The floor is then opened up for nominations at the October Council meeting. These nominations, including eligible incumbents that are nominated or self-nominated, make up the slate that is presented to the Council. Of course, the nominations period remains open and nominations are also taken from the floor at the November meeting. As such, the Nominations Committee presents the final slate at the November with any additions from the floor at that meeting. That completes the duties of the Nominations Committee.

REGION XI BYLAWS ELECTIONS COMMITTEE INSTRUCTIONS

Creation of Elections Committee:

Per Article X, Section 2, regional elections shall be held annually during the month of November. And, per Article IX Section 9, Paragraph D, these elections are conducted by the Elections Committee.

Composition of Elections Committee:

Per Article IX, Section 9, Paragraph D, the Elections Committee shall be composed of 5 elected primary regional reps from 5 different chapters. This provision does not rule out additional volunteers but it does require 5 elected primary members.

Duties of the Nominations Committee:

Per Article IX, Section 9, Paragraph D, the Elections Committee must:

1. Prepare the official ballot reflecting candidates for office.
2. Conduct the actual election of officers in conjunction with the slate of candidates presented by the Nominations Committee.
3. Present the election results to the membership.
4. Provide certification in writing of the election results to the Recording Secretary.

Additional requirements per Article X, Section 2:

1. Elections shall be held only by secret ballot (proxy vote shall not be allowed).
2. A simple majority of the votes cast is required for an individual to be elected.