**February 10, 2021- MCCPTA Bylaws Committee Report**

1. MCCPTA Bylaws- Approved at January 26. 2021 delegates assembly. Submitted to MD PTA. Clean version is almost ready to post on our website.

2. MD PTA bylaws committee- short meeting on February 4, 2021 (first meeting since September). The review of local bylaws is slowly restarting.

3. MCCPTA bylaws committee met on February 8, 2021 to discuss possible amendments for MD PTA bylaws.

Attending- Kellie Schoolar Reynolds, Yeages Cowan, Laura Mitchell, Jennifer Young, Adam Lee

The proposed amendments are described below. They need to be submitted by Feb 28.

**Proposed amendment to MD PTA bylaws, discussed by MCCPTA bylaws committee**

Items below were proposed at recent MCCPTA Exec Comm Meeting

(Topics are below, not specific wording)

Article IV Operational Requirements and Dissolution; Section 4, Recordkeeping

Maryland PTA permanent books of account and records shall be available to local PTAs, council PTAs or National PTA for review, upon request.

Maryland PTA Board and General Membership meeting minutes, including the treasurers report, shall be available to members within 10 days of the meeting.

Article VI Constituent Associations; Section 3, Standards of Affiliation- Amend so it is clear that membership vote is required for a change in SOCA requirements, unless a change is needed due to federal or state law.

Article VI Constituent Associations; Section 5, Voting- Amend to clarify online platforms where individuals can hear one another in real time is considered in person (including phone conference)

Article VIII Officers

Section 1, Composition- Add requirement no more than 2 officers may reside in the same county.

Section 2, Qualifications-

Once slated, the qualifications of the candidate will be posted (and remain visible) to membership through the election and until the resignation and/or next convention.

Considering several position specific qualification changes (balancing the need for experience with the desire to not limit to pool of candidates)

Each candidate must be bondable

Article IX Board of Directors

Section 1, Composition-

Return Council Leaders to Board (and add a local unit president from each county not represented by a council)

Section 2, Duties-

Change wording related to filling vacancies, to involve the nominating committee in the process:

Fill vacancies occurring in all positions except the president and president-elect, with qualified, bondable individuals recommended by the nominating committee

*(note- different process for pres and pres-elect)*

XI Committees- Section 6 (Special Committees)- Nominating-

Considering- change from “no more than one member can be a member of the BOD” to “no more than one member can be a member of the BOD” because of recommendation to expand the BOD.

Article XIII Vacancies- amend to include the nominating in the process to fill vacancies. (Board can appoint interim for up to 60 days)

4. Next task for bylaws committee- standing rules