

BY-LAWS REVISIONS - 2018

ARTICLE XI: CHAPTER ELECTIONS:

A. The Election Process

1. Election of Chapter Officers shall be held generally in accordance with the timetable and procedures outlined herein.
2. The Chapter election cycle and timeline will generally follow that the National organization's Bylaws applicable to elections.
3. The Chapter encourages contested elections; however, such elections are not mandated.

B. Nominations

1. The Nominating and Elections Committee shall be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee by ~~April 15~~January 1.
2. The Nominating and Elections Committee shall issue a call for nominations on or about ~~May 1~~January 15.
3. The Nominating and Elections Committee shall submit to the President and/or Executive Board its list of nominations for Chapter Officers by ~~June 30~~March 1. The Committee shall not nominate one of its own members for office.

C. Balloting

1. The Nominating and Elections Committee shall prescribe the method and form of noticing, posting and balloting. Such method may include, but not be limited to, mail, delivery services, internet and other electronic media.
2. The Nominating and Elections Committee list of nominations for Chapter Officers shall be provided to all Chapter members by ~~June~~March 15.
3. Any Chapter member eligible to hold office shall be placed on the ballot by the Nominating and Elections Committee if a petition signed by not less than twenty-five Chapter members nominating said Chapter member is received by the Board by ~~July~~April 1. The Committee shall review and act to certify petitions for balloting by ~~July~~April 15.

4. Names of all candidates shall be provided to APA for distribution on ballots under the *Consolidated Election Schedule* of the organization.
5. A ballot containing the names of all candidates shall be provided to all Chapter members on or about ~~August~~May 1. Completed ballots shall be returned as prescribed under the *Consolidated Election Schedule*.
6. Ballots shall be tabulated and the results returned to the Nominating and Elections Committee on or about ~~September~~June 1. The Committee shall report the results to the Secretary immediately thereafter for formal recording in the records of the Chapter.
7. Chapter Officers shall be elected by the affirmative vote of a plurality of those Chapter members actually voting. The results of the election shall (i) be announced by Chapter communication, (ii) be published in the next issue of the Chapter Newsletter following the vote; and, (iii) be announced at the Annual Meeting.
8. Elected candidates shall officially take office on ~~October~~January 1 of the year immediately following the election, except that the President-Elect shall take office as President-Elect on July 1 of the year of an election, as provided in Article XI, E(1)(b), herein.

D. Changes in Election Timetable

1. If, due to unforeseen circumstances, the Executive Board finds that the election timetable set forth in this Article cannot be followed, the Board may depart from the timetable, provided that an attempt is made to conform as closely as possible to the required election timing and that said change is approved by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Board. The Chapter membership shall be notified of said change within ten days of such vote.

E. Schedule of Elections; Terms of Office - Chapter Officers

1. For the purpose of coordinating its elected offices with the *Consolidated Election Schedule* of APA, the schedule of elections and terms of Chapter Officers shall become effective upon adoption of these By Laws subject to specific provisions as follows:
 - a. The seated President shall complete the term balance of ~~an~~his elected ~~three-year~~ term ending ~~September 30, 2016~~on January 1, 2020.
 - b. ~~The seated President, for the purpose of transitioning to the new cycle, is eligible to run for the term of President-elect in 2015.~~

~~_____ e. _____~~ Beginning ~~in 2015~~on January 1, 2020, and every two years thereafter, the Chapter shall elect a President ~~elect~~, who shall serve a term of ~~one year~~. ~~At the end of that one year term, the President elect~~two years. ~~If an elected President is a different individual than the current President, said elected President shall automatically become President and serve a term of two years. There shall be no election of~~serve as President-Elect ~~in any year where the President chooses to run for a second two~~for six months from July 1 of the year that the individual is elected until the commencement of their two year term ~~as President the following year~~.

c. The seated Secretary and Treasurer shall complete the term balance of their respective elected term ending on January 1, 2020.

d. Beginning ~~in 2015~~on January 1, 2020, and every two years thereafter, the Chapter shall elect a Secretary and a Treasurer, each of whom shall serve a term of two years.

~~_____ e. _____~~ ~~The immediate Past President shall serve a term of one year commencing one year following the seating of a successor to the President.~~

2. The terms of the elected officers shall be two years. Elected officers may serve for no more than two consecutive terms.

F. Filling of Vacancies of Elected Officers

1. Should a vacancy occur among the Elected Officers due to resignation, incapacitation to perform the duties, death or some other unforeseen circumstance, the vacancy shall be filled by the Board within 30 days of such circumstance with a two-thirds vote of the quorum. Such vacancy shall only be filled by a member of the Board.