

PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS – CONVENTION 2021

CURRENT:

ARTICLE VI-OFFICERS: LOCAL PTAs, PTSAs AND SEPTAs

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Rationale:

NYS PTA has chartered SEPTAs since 1977, but it has never been defined in our Bylaws.

CURRENT:

ARTICLE VIII-OFFICERS: ELECTIONS AND VACANCIES- SECTION 10d – NOMINATING COMMITTEE SECTION 10d.

In order to be eligible for service on the committee, Executive Committee and Board of Directors candidates for the nominating committee shall have served at least one (1) year on the Board of Directors prior to election to the nominating committee. Region Director and Specialist candidates shall have served at least one (1) year as a Region Director or Specialist prior to election to the nominating committee.

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Rationale:

A member who has served on the Board of Directors for at least one year should be eligible to be elected to the nominating committee as a representative from the Region Directors/Specialists. Otherwise we are penalizing them from having the opportunity to serve simply because they have changed their role on the Governance Team. Their previous valuable experience should be considered.

CURRENT:

ARTICLE VIII-OFFICERS: ELECTIONS AND VACANCIES-SECTION 11-VACANCIES SECTION 11.

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Rationale:

This clause will ensure immediate succession to the office of president in the event of a vacancy in that office.

CURRENT:

ARTICLE XI-BOARD OF DIRECTORS-SECTION 3

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PROPOSED:

ARTICLE XI-BOARD OF DIRECTORS-SECTION 3

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The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers, coordinators, up to two (2) youth members, eligible region directors, the immediate past president and members of the National PTA Board of Directors residing in New York State.

Rationale:

The third year region directors will now have the opportunity to serve as members of the Board of Directors.

CURRENT:

ARTICLE XIV-OFFICERS: REGIONS/COUNCILS-SECTION 3H-REGION DIRECTORS

No current wording.

PROPOSED:

ARTICLE XIV-OFFICERS: REGIONS/COUNCILS-SECTION 3H-REGION DIRECTORS

Region Directors in the third year of appointment as Region Director shall be eligible to serve on the Board of Directors.

Rationale:

The proposed language will allow Region Directors in their third year to serve on the NYSPTA Board of Directors, if they wish.