

## ARTICLE VII – NOMINATING COMMITTEE

**Section 7.01. Nominating Committee.** There shall be a Nominating Committee which shall consist of a total of five (5) members, The Honorary President who shall serve as Chairperson, the two (2) immediate Past Presidents who are still Section members, and two (2) members “at large.” The two (2) members “at large” shall be elected every two (2) years by the membership. Neither of the members “at large” shall be selected from the current Board of Directors. The Chairperson will have voting rights only in the case of a tie after the other members of the committee have cast their votes. Consistent with Robert’s Rules of Order, the Chairperson shall not vote except in instances to break a tie. The Chairperson shall have no obligation to vote to break a tie at the Chairperson’s sole discretion.

**Section 7.02. Nominations and Elections.** The Nominating Committee shall solicit written nominations of individuals to be considered for each Board of Directors office at least ninety (90) days prior to the election. The Chairperson of the Nominating Committee must receive written nominations at least sixty (60) days prior to the election. Within fifteen (15) days after the Nominating Committee receives the names of the prospective nominees, it will nominate one person for each office. The Nominating Committee will inform all applicants of the results of their deliberations within six (6) days after their decision. The group selected by the Nominating Committee will be endorsed candidates, and the other applicants will be given the opportunity to run in the general election. After receiving the results of the Nominating Committee, the unendorsed candidates must inform the Nominating Committee, in writing within six (6) days of their intention to run in the general election. The Chairperson of the Nominating Committee will inform the Secretary of the Corporation of the results of their deliberations as well as the names of the unendorsed candidates who have expressed their intention to run in the general election. The Secretary will then inform the membership within thirty (30) days prior to the election meeting of the names of all the candidates expressing their intention to run in the general election. The Secretary, when notifying the membership, will label the candidates that were not endorsed by the Nominating Committee as “at large.”

Any member may nominate as many persons for the office of District Director of his or her district as there are positions to be filled for his or her district. If nominations for the office of District Director have been received as herein provided, only candidates who have been nominated in accordance with this section shall be eligible for election. Each District Director shall be elected separately by the members from that particular district voting as a class. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes from the members of each district entitled to elect Directors, up to the number of Directors to be elected by such districts, shall be elected. Nominations from the floor will be accepted.