

# Delegate Assembly 2021 Minutes

# 18 September 2021

# Virtual

Delegate Assembly Called to order at 0800

Megan Dayton, Statewide President

Executive Committee, DA Planning Committee, Credentials Committee, Staff and Parliamentarian Introductions

Angie Halseth, Statewide Vice President

Webinar Instructions

Angie Halseth, Statewide Vice President

Voting Overview and Test Vote

Davia Curran, Member Database & IT Specialist

**Review of Standing Rules** 

Megan Dayton, Statewide President

Credentials Committee Report:

Joe Sullivan, Trustee Committee Chair

As of 0817, the number of authorized positions is 151; Credentials Committee (CC) confirmed 6 Statewide Officers, 16 Regional Directors, and 95 Delegates totaling 117 members of the body. This represented 77%, and established a quorum. CC moves the credentials report to the assembly for approval.

Objection to consensus vote.

Vote: 113 Yes; 1 No

# **Credentials Committee Report Approved**

Adoption of Rules Megan Dayton, Statewide President Objection to consensus vote.

Vote: 114 Yes; 1 No

#### **Rules adopted**

Adoption of Agenda

Megan Dayton, Statewide President

Objection to consensus vote.

Vote: 112 Yes; 2 No

# Agenda adopted

Financial Workgroup 2022 Budget Presentation and Budget Consideration by Delegates

Todd Maki, Statewide Treasurer

Vote to adopt the budget: 113 Yes; 4 No

#### **Budget adopted**

**M(**Secretary**) S(**Vice President**)** to amend the agenda to add a report from the Political Council on MAPE's legislative priorities, to be placed after the membership awards, directly before lunch.

Vote: 96 Yes; 23 No

#### Agenda amended

State of the Union Report

Mike Asmus, Interim Co-Executive Director; Megan Dayton, Statewide President; and Leah Solo, Interim Co-Executive Director

# **Credentials Report**

Joe Sullivan, Trustee Committee Chair

As of 0931, CC confirms 6 Statewide Officers; 19 Regional Director, 106 Delegates for a total of 131 out of a possible 151, or 87% present. CC moves the credentials report to the assembly for approval.

Objection to consensus

Vote: 119 Yes; 3 No

#### **Credentials report approved**

# Delegate Assembly Business - Resolutions

# **Resolution 1**

Ruled out of order by the chair because additional bylaw change is required to allow for a process to file a report to an alternate chair.

# **Resolution 2**

Resolution 2 was submitted both to the MAPE Board of Directors and to Delegate Assembly; MAPE Board of Directors heard the Resolution during the August 2021 meeting and failed to pass it, however, Resolution 2 was submitted to DA following submission guidelines. The assembly was asked to vote whether to consider Resolution 2.

Vote: 91 Yes; 33 No

#### Vote to consider Resolution 2 passes

- Whereas many duties of the Organizing and Political Councils used to be handled by the Board of Directors
- Whereas restricting who can be on Board Workgroups promotes siloing.
- Whereas restricting who can be on Board Workgroups can limit member engagement.
- Whereas MAPE create jurisdictional vagaries by using multiple terms for groups including the following:
  - Workgroup
  - Subgroup
  - Task group
  - Task force
  - Advisory group
  - o Council
  - Committee
  - Sub-committee
- Whereas there is no master list of all Board of Director's workgroups or other similar organizational structures within MAPE.
- Resolved, the language in the bylaws restricting workgroup membership to members of the Board of Directors be stricken

- Resolved, when the Board of Directors establishes a workgroup which includes representatives from other MAPE groups, councils, committees, etc, said groups, councils, or committees shall be empowered to choose their own representative for the Board Workgroup.
- Resolved, The Board of Directors shall create and maintain a comprehensive list of all current board workgroups, sub-groups, task forces, and advisory groups it has created.
- Resolved, this list shall be made available on the MAPE website.
- Resolved, this list shall include the following information about each group:
  - o Scope
  - Composition/structure
  - Current members
  - Term Length/Term Limits

Passed by		Date		
Political Council		14 May 2021		
Local Presidents Committee		1	15 June 2021	
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS Article V	Resulting Language
<ul> <li>4. Workgroups. The Board of Directors shall establish workgroups to perform specific tasks assigned by the Board of Directors. Only board members will be appointed to these workgroups.</li> <li>WHEN THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ESTABLISHES A WORKGROUP WHICH INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES FROM OTHER MAPE GROUPS, COUNCILS, COMMITTEES, ETC, SAID GROUPS, COUNCILS, OR COMMITTEES SHALL BE EMPOWERED TO CHOOSE THEIR OWN REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE BOARD WORKGROUP</li> <li>THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL CREATE AND MAINTAIN A COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF ALL CURRENT BOARD WORKGROUPS, SUB-GROUPS, TASK FORCES, AND ADVISORY GROUPS IT HAS CREATED.</li> <li>THIS LIST SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR MEMBERS, ON THE MAPE WEBSITE.</li> <li>THIS LIST SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT EACH GROUP:</li> <li>SCOPE</li> <li>COMPOSITION/STRUCTURE</li> <li>CURRENT MEMBERS</li> <li>TERM LENGTH/TERM LIMITS</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>4. Workgroups. The Board of Directors shall establish workgroups to perform specific tasks assigned by the Board of Directors.</li> <li>When the board of directors establishes a workgroup which includes representatives from other MAPE groups, councils, committees, etc, said groups, councils, or committees shall be empowered to choose their own representative for the board workgroup</li> <li>The board of directors shall create and maintain a comprehensive list of all current board workgroups, sub-groups, task forces, and advisory groups it has created.</li> <li>This list shall be made available for members, on the MAPE website.</li> <li>This list shall include the following information about each group: <ul> <li>Scope</li> <li>Composition/structure</li> <li>Term Length/Term Limits</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

M(Smith 2101 by submitting an amendment via email)S Butcher to amend the resolution language:

Ferrara's Resulting Language	Smith Amendment to Ferrara's Resulting Language	Smith Resulting Language
<ul> <li>5. Workgroups. The Board of Directors shall establish workgroups to perform specific tasks assigned by the Board of Directors.</li> <li>When the board of directors establishes a workgroup which includes representatives from other MAPE groups, councils, committees, etc, said groups, councils, or committees shall be empowered to choose their own representative for the board workgroup</li> <li>The board of directors shall create and maintain a comprehensive list of all current board workgroups, sub-groups, task forces, and advisory groups it has created.</li> <li>This list shall be made available for members, on the MAPE website.</li> <li>This list shall include the following information about each group: <ul> <li>Scope</li> <li>Composition/structure</li> <li>Term Length/Term Limits</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>4. Workgroups. The Board of Directors shall establish workgroups to perform specific tasks assigned by the Board of Directors.</li> <li><u>Board members will be</u> voting members. Work groups may add non-board members in advisory roles.</li> <li>When the board of directors establishes a workgroup which includes representatives from other MAPE groups, councils, committees, etc, said groups, councils, or committees shall be empowered to choose their own representative for the board workgroup</li> <li>The board of directors shall create and maintain a comprehensive list of all current board workgroups, sub-groups, task forces, and advisory groups it has created.</li> <li>This list shall be made available for members, on the MAPE website.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><b>4. Workgroups</b>. The Board of Directors shall establish workgroups to perform specific tasks assigned by the Board of Directors.</li> <li>Board members will be voting members. Work groups may add nonboard members in advisory roles.</li> </ul>

**M**(Ferrara 2001)**S**(Secretary)**P** to amend the amendment by reinstating the language regarding creating and maintaining a list:

The Board of Directors shall create and maintain a comprehensive list of all current board workgroups, sub-groups, task forces, and advisory groups it has created.

This list shall be made available for members on the MAPE website.

This list shall include the following information about each group:

- o Scope
- o Composition/structure
- o Current members
- o Term Length/Term Limits

Vote: 117 Yes; 7 No

#### Amendment to the amendment passes

**M**(Juan 2101) to amend the amendment to include members of statewide standing committees as voting members of board workgroups.

#### Ruled out of order due to being out of scope of notice

Vote to the amendment: 99 Yes; 21 No

#### **Resolution is amended**

Vote on amended Resolution: 112 Yes; 11 No

#### **Resolution 2 passes**

#### **Resolution 3**

- Whereas MAPE Meet and Confer Committees are the only agency-based organizing bodies in the union.
- Whereas MAPE Meet and Confer Committees represent agencies of varying size from dozens to thousands of members.
- Whereas the MAPE contract allows Meet and Confer Committees to be comprised of a "mutually agreed upon" number of participants but does not specify a mutually agreed upon number.
- Whereas the MAPE contract empowers MAPE Meet and Confer Committees to make decisions about committee structure which most suits each agency.
- Whereas MAPE Meet and Confer Committees represent diverse members across the state of Minnesota.
- Whereas restricting the number of committee members can limit diversity and equal representation of protected class status, demographics, geography, and job duties.
- Whereas the committee composition language needs updates to reflect past changes.
- Whereas electing the speaker at the Negotiations Convention does not ensure a specific timeline or election date.
- Whereas electing the speaker at the negotiations convention does not allow enough time to organize Meet and Confer priorities prior to negotiating the contract.
- Resolved, the language in the bylaws limiting Meet and Confer Committee membership limits to be stricken.
- Resolved, adopting new language allowing for more proportional representation on Meet and Confer committees.
- Resolved to update committee composition to include Vice Chair and Secretary.
- Resolved, the Speaker shall be elected in odd-numbered years within one (1) month of contract ratification.
- Resolved, the Speaker shall be limited to three (3) two-year terms.

Passed by	Date
Andi Morris – MnIT M&C Chair	

Kristine Moody – Revenue M&C Chair	
Jennifer Palm – MDH M&C Chair	

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Meet and Confer Committees	Resulting Language
Article VI, Section 8	
Section 8. Meet and Confer Committees.	Section 8. Meet and Confer Committees.
A. There shall be a Meet and Confer Committee for a given Appointing Authority. See Appendix D of the MAPE contract for a list of agencies.	A. There shall be a Meet and Confer Committee for a given Appointing Authority. See Appendix D of the MAPE contract for a list of agencies.
B. Each committee shall consist of:	B. Each committee shall consist of:
1. A committee chair;	1. A committee chair;
2. Up to <u>12</u> <del>6</del> members;	2. Up to 12 members;
3. Up to 2 alternate members.	3. Up to 2 alternate members.
C. Each committee's chair will be elected in an agency wide election.	C. Each committee's chair will be elected in an agency wide election.
1. Elections will be part of the annual statewide elections in even years.	1. Elections will be part of the annual statewide elections in even years.
2. Members can vote for the chair of their respective agency.	2. Members can vote for the chair of their respective agency.
3. The term of office is two years and until their successor is elected.	3. The term of office is two years and until their successor is elected.
4. Vacancies in the Chair will be filled by the Vice Chair and the committee will elect a new Vice Chair.	4. Vacancies in the Chair will be filled by the Vice Chair and the committee will elect a new Vice Chair.
D. Each committee will elect one of its members as Vice Chair. The Vice Chair will perform the	D. Each committee will elect one of its members as Vice Chair. The Vice Chair will perform the

duties of the Chair in the Chair's absence or	duties of the Chair in the Chair's absence or
vacancy of the Chair position.	vacancy of the Chair position.
E. <u>Each committee shall elect one of its members</u> <u>as Secretary. The secretary shall keep a record of</u> <u>the proceedings of Meet and Confer Committee</u> <u>meetings with the respective Appointing</u> <u>Authority.</u>	E. Each committee shall elect one of its members as Secretary. The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of Meet and Confer Committee meetings with the respective Appointing Authority.
<b>F. Speaker</b> . The chairs of the statewide meet and confer committees will elect one of the meet and confer chairs as their Speaker. The Speaker will represent the meet and confer committees on the Negotiations Committee and the Executive Committee.	F. <b>Speaker</b> . The chairs of the statewide Meet and Confer committees will elect one of the Meet and Confer Chairs as their Speaker. The Speaker will represent the Meet and Confer committees on the Negotiations Committee and the Executive Committee.
<ol> <li>The Speaker will be elected at the Negotiations Convention.<sup>**</sup>The Chairs shall elect a new Speaker within one (1) month of contract ratification.</li> <li>The Speaker shall be limited to three (3) two-year terms</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>The Chairs shall elect a new Speaker within one (1) month of contract ratification.</li> <li>The Speaker shall be limited to three (3) two-year terms.</li> </ol>

Vote on Resolution 3: 110 Yes; 13 No

#### **Resolution 3 passes**

#### **Resolution 4**

Whereas the Meet and Confer Chairs meet as an ad hoc entity that is not governed by the MAPE bylaws;

Whereas the status of the Speaker of the Meet and Confer Chairs as an elected office is left to interpretation in the bylaws;

Whereas the purpose and scope of the Speaker is not clearly defined;

Whereas no member is able to hold multiple positions and the Speaker is currently expected to serve in no fewer than four distinct roles;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Meet & Confer Chairs be formalized as a Statewide Standing Committee and the Speaker role be clarified by amending the bylaws as shown below.

Passed by	Date
Lynn Butcher, 1901	6/29/21
Tess Flom, 1203	6/29/21

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Confer Committees.

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B. Each committee shall consist of:

- 1. A committee chair;
- 2. Up to 6 members;
- 3. Up to 2 alternate members.

C. Each committee's chair will be elected in an agency wide election.

- 1. Elections will be part of the annual statewide elections in even years.
- 2. Members can vote for the chair of their respective agency.
- 3. The term of office is two years and until their successor is elected.
- 4. Vacancies in the Chair will be filled by the Vice Chair and the committee will elect a new Vice Chair.

D. Each committee will elect one of its members as Vice Chair. The Vice Chair will perform the duties of the Chair in the Chair's absence or vacancy of the Chair position.

E. Speaker. The chairs of the statewide meet and confer committees will elect one of the meet and confer chair as their Speaker. The Speaker will represent the meet and confer committees on the Negotiations Committee and the Executive Committee.

1. The Speaker will be elected at the Negotiations Convention.<sup>12</sup>

# Section 9. <u>Meet and Confer Chairs</u> <u>Committee</u>

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# Section 9. Meet and Confer Chairs Committee

There shall be a Meet and Confer Chairs Committee that will meet as determined necessary, and at least quarterly. The meetings will be called by the Chair or at the request of a majority of Meet and Confer Chairs. necessary, and at least quarterly. The meetings will be called by the Chair or at the request of a majority of Meet and Confer Chairs.

<u>The Meet and Confer Chairs Committee shall</u> <u>consist of each Appointing Authority Meet and</u> <u>Confer Committee chair.</u>

The Meet and Confer Chairs Committee will share information between Meet and Confer Committees in regard to common workplace issues, best practices for working with Management, and effective workplace actions and member engagement practices.

The Meet and Confer Chairs shall choose one of their members to chair the Meet and Confer Chairs Committee. The Meet and Confer Chairs Committee Chair will be responsible for scheduling meetings, setting agendas, and ensuring meeting minutes are maintained.

The Meet and Confer Chairs shall elect a Speaker who will act as a liaison between the Meet and Confer Chairs Committee and the Executive Committee and MAPE Board of Directors and serve on the Negotiations Committee as a full member. The Speaker will be elected at the Negotiations Convention. The Speaker is an elected position for purposes of holding MAPE office, and will serve a two-year term. All bylaws pertaining to the rights of MAPE office holders apply to the Speaker.

The Speaker will be responsible for sharing information regarding common workplace issues, working with Management, workplace actions and member engagement practices with the Executive Committee and MAPE Board of Directors for consideration in strategic decision making, and with the Negotiations Team for consideration in developing collective bargaining proposals. The Speaker will report to The Meet and Confer Chairs Committee shall consist of each Appointing Authority Meet and Confer Committee chair.

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<u>the Executive Committee and MAPE Board of</u> <u>Directors monthly.</u>	the Executive Committee and MAPE Board of Directors monthly.
Section 910. Negotiations Committee.	Section 10. Negotiations Committee.
Section 110. Nominations Committee.	Section 11. Nominations Committee.
Section 124. Organizing Council.	Section 12. Organizing Council.
Section 132. Political Council.	Section 13. Political Council.
Section 143. Electronic Meetings.	Section 14. Electronic Meetings.

Request to split Resolution 4 (Petersen 1801) to vote separately on creation of Meet & Confer Chairs Committee (first vote) and clarification of Speaker role (second vote)

Vote #1 Create Meet & Confer Chairs Committee

Section 9. Meet and Confer Chairs Committee

A. There shall be a Meet and Confer Chairs Committee that will meet as determined necessary, and at least quarterly. The meetings will be called by the Chair or at the request of a majority of Meet and Confer Chairs.

The Meet and Confer Chairs Committee shall consist of each Appointing Authority Meet and Confer Committee chair.

<u>The Meet and Confer Chairs Committee will share information between Meet and</u> <u>Confer Committees in regard to common workplace issues, best practices for working</u> <u>with Management, and effective workplace actions and member engagement practices.</u>

The Meet and Confer Chairs shall choose one of their members to chair the Meet and Confer Chairs Committee. The Meet and Confer Chairs Committee Chair will be responsible for scheduling meetings, setting agendas, and ensuring meeting minutes are maintained.

Vote: 98 Yes; 19 No

#### Vote #1 passes

Vote #2: Clarification of Speaker Role

Section 8

E. Speaker. The chairs of the statewide meet and confer committees will elect one of the meet and confer chair as their Speaker. The Speaker will represent the meet and confer committees on the Negotiations Committee and the Executive Committee.

1. The Speaker will be elected at the Negotiations Convention.12

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**M**(Helgertz 601)**SP** to amend the resolution and replace "Meet & Confer Chairs" in this section with "Committee Members."

Vote: 98 Yes; 21 No

#### Amendment passes

Amended language:

Section 8

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#### Vote 2 passes

# **Resolution 5**

Whereas the Political and Organizing Council Chairs were added to Executive Committee with the assumption that the MAPE Board of Directors would reduce the number of regular meetings to quarterly as a cost savings measure

Whereas no member is able to hold multiple positions,

Whereas the councils are responsible for implementing strategic work around Membership, Member Engagement, Political & Legislative priorities, and participation in Executive Committee and MAPE Board of Directors splits the focus of the Chairs,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Political and Organizing Council chairs be removed from the Executive Committee and their role redefined to include liaison duties to the Executive Committee and MAPE Board of Directors by amending the bylaws, as shown below.

Passed by	Date	
Lynn Butcher, 1901	6/29/21	
Tess Flom, 1203	6/29/21	

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	Lynn Butcher	lbutcher@mape.org		
	Tess Flom	tflom@mape.org		
What	t is being amended?		Resulting Language	
	le VI – Statewide Standing mittees	5	Article VI – Statewide Committees	Standing
Section 5. Executive Committee.		Section 5. Executive	Committee.	
The President shall be the presiding officer of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall conduct the business of MAPE between the meetings of the Board of Directors and shall perform other duties as directed by the		The President shall be the presiding officer of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall conduct the business of MAPE between the meetings of the Board of Directors and shall perform other duties as directed by the		

Board of Directors. The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the President or a majority vote of the Executive Committee.	Board of Directors. The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the President or a majority vote of the Executive Committee.
The Executive Committee shall consist of <del>: T</del> the Statewide Officers	The Executive Committee shall consist of the Statewide Officers.
<ul> <li>The Chair of the Political Council<sub>9</sub></li> </ul>	Section 11. Organizing Council.
<ul> <li>The Chair of the Political Council<sub>9</sub></li> <li>The Chair of the Organizing Council<sub>10</sub></li> <li>The Speaker of the Meet and Confer Committees<sub>11</sub></li> <li>For the purposes of term limits, all positions on the Executive Committee are considered statewide officers.</li> <li>Section 11. Organizing Council.</li> <li>G. Chair. The council will elect one of its members to serve as Chair. The term of office is for two years and until their successor is elected.</li> <li>The election of the Chair will be in even-number years, at a council meeting. Vacancies in the Chair will be filled by the Vice Chair. Appointed positions are not eligible to be elected Chair. In addition to chairing the council, the Chair will serve as liaison to the Executive Committee and MAPE Board of Directors, and will provide a monthly report detailing the progress of council work, barriers to success, and alignment with the strategic priorities as determined by the MAPE Board of Directors. The Chair will communicate feedback from the Executive Committee and MAPE Board of Directors, including requests to prioritize work in furtherance of strategic goals, to the council for action. The Chair will work with the Executive Committee and MAPE Board of Directors to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>G. Chair. The council will elect one of its members to serve as Chair. The term of office is for two years and until their successor is elected. The election of the Chair will be in even-number years, at a council meeting. Vacancies in the Chair will be filled by the Vice Chair. Appointed positions are not eligible to be elected Chair. In addition to chairing the council, the Chair will serve as liaison to the Executive Committee and MAPE Board of Directors, and will provide a monthly report detailing the progress of council work, barriers to success, and alignment with the strategic priorities as determined by the MAPE Board of Directors. The Chair will communicate feedback from the Executive Committee and MAPE Board of Directors, including requests to prioritize work in furtherance of strategic goals, to the council for action. The Chair will work with the Executive Committee and MAPE Board of Directors to determine appropriate metrics for measuring success.</li> <li>Section 12. Political Council.</li> <li>G. Chair. The council will elect one of its members to serve as Chair. The term of office is for two years and until their successor is elected. The election of the Chair will be in even-number</li> </ul>
determine appropriate metrics for measuring success.	years, at a council meeting. Vacancies in the Chair will be filled by the Vice Chair. Appointed positions are not eligible to be elected Chair. In addition to chairing the council the Chair will

Section 12. Political Council.

addition to chairing the council, the Chair will serve as liaison to the Executive Committee and MAPE Board of Directors, and will provide a

monthly report detailing the progress of council
work, barriers to success, and alignment with
the strategic priorities as determined by the
MAPE Board of Directors. The Chair will
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including requests to prioritize work in
furtherance of strategic goals, to the council for
action. The Chair will work with the Executive
Committee and MAPE Board of Directors to
determine appropriate metrics for measuring
success.

M(Ferrara 2001)SP to postpone indefinitely.

Vote: 76 Yes; 48 No

#### Motion passes.

#### **Resolution 5 is postponed indefinitely**

# **Resolution 6**

Whereas Election Rules, Article III Nominations, Section 3 are unclear: Nominations for local positions may be submitted by the local nominations committee or by an "individual member" and nominations for regional positions may be submitted by the Nominations Committee or by an "individual member" but "individual member" is not defined in the Election Rules.

The Election Rules do not specify that the individual member making the nomination must belong to the same local as the member being nominated, but it should.

Members of a local can only vote for candidates in their local. It logically follows that only voting members of a local should be allowed to nominate candidates who are in their local.

Members should focus their involvement in local elections on their own local.

If a member knows of a member from another local who may be a good candidate for elective office, there are many avenues available for that member to be nominated including: 1) contacting a member in the potential nominee's local with the suggestion that the member should be nominated, 2) contacting the local nomination committee with the suggestion, 3) directly suggesting to the member that the member self-nominate for the position.

The Election Rules do not specify that the individual member making the nomination must belong to the same region as the member being nominated, but it should.

Members of a region can only vote for candidates in their region. It logically follows that only voting members of a region should be allowed to nominate candidates who are in their region.

Members should focus their involvement in regional elections on their own region.

If a member knows of a member from another region who may be a good candidate for elective office, there are many avenues available for that member to be nominated including: 1) contacting a member in the potential nominee's region with the suggestion that the member should be nominated, 2) contacting the Nomination Committee with the suggestion, 3) directly suggesting to the member that the member self-nominate for the position.

Passed by			Date	
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Resolved, that the Election Rules be amended, as shown below to clarify nomination procedures.

What is being amended?	Resulting Language			
Election Rules	Election Rules			
Article III	Article III			
Nominations	Nominations			
1. <b>Nominees</b> . The Nominations Committee	4. <b>Nominees</b> . The Nominations Committee			
and local nominations committees shall seek	and local nominations committees shall seek			
out and encourage qualified persons to run	out and encourage qualified persons to run			
for elective positions.	for elective positions.			
2. <b>Conditions of Candidacy</b> . Members must	5. <b>Conditions of Candidacy</b> . Members must			
meet the eligibility requirements defined in	meet the eligibility requirements defined in			
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#### Vote: 106 Yes; 11 No

#### **Resolution 6 passes**

#### **Resolution** 7

- WHEREAS MAPE's regular internal elections occur on an annual basis each spring;
- **WHEREAS** holding elections at a different time of the year instead of during contract negotiations every two years would be beneficial;
- **WHEREAS** the first action for new Board members in a typical negotiations year would be to vote on the collective bargaining tentative agreement;
- **WHEREAS** new Board members should have time and space to gather information and experience;
- **WHEREAS** the fall, after National, State, and local external elections is typically a quiet time of year;
- WHEREAS continuity planning is a priority for the union and electing Meet and Confer Chairs and Negotiations Representatives earlier in the negotiation cycle would be beneficial; and
- WHEREAS minor adjustments could be made in the election timetable;

**THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the union adopt a two-year plan to revise the Election Rules.

NOTE: under this plan, the next regular elections would be held in the spring of 2022 as usual and then elections would move to the fall in 2023. Term lengths for everyone elected in the spring of 2022 (as well as others already serving) would be extended from June until the end of December.

	Passed by			Date		
	Statewide Executive Committee			Jı	une 11, 2021	
	Contact Name	Contact E-mail Address			Contact Phone	
	Todd Maki	<u>tmaki@mape.org</u>			651-635-8259	
What is being amended?		Resulting Language				
BYLAWS, ARTICLE VI		BYLAWS, ARTICLE VI				
STATEWIDE STANDING COMMITTEES		STATEWIDE STANDING COMMITTEES				

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# BYLAWS, ARTICLE VI

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#### BYLAWS, ARTICLE VIII

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#### ELECTION RULES

# Article II

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Nominations Close / <u>45-60</u> days before voting window opens	Nominations Close / 60 days before voting window opens	
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**M**(Snavely 1701)**SP** to amend the resolution language in the MAPE Election Timetable for the voting opens, changing 7 to 10 days.

Resulting language:

Voting Opens / 147 10 days before closing the voting window

Technical change (Treasurer): By-laws, Article II, Nomination and Elections Committee should read "completed by December 15" instead of "the end of December" so it matches the date in the Elections Rules timetable Appendix A. Ruled by the chair to be in order.

Vote: 107 Yes; 13 No

#### Amendment passes

Vote on amended resolution: 118 Yes; 3 No

#### **Resolution 7 passes**

Legal Update

#### Justin Cummins, Cummins & Cummins

Point of Information Maurice Wilson: Did passage of Resolution 4 create a conflict in the bylaws? After consultation with the parliamentarian, the chair determined a conflict was created, but that resolution to the conflict would be out of notice period for resolutions for DA; therefore, fixing the conflict be taken up by the MAPE Board of Directors in October.

**M**(Swanson 701)**SP** to amend the agenda to add the PAC, OC, and Political Council items to before the lunch break.

2/3 required to pass

Vote: 114 Yes; 6 No

#### Agenda amended

Point of Information Ellena Schoop: requested that when the board addresses the conflict created by passage of Resolution 4, it also determine how election rules needed to be updated and bring back to DA.

Point of information Ellena Schoop: requested clarification on whether the motion to postpone indefinitely was in order given that the mover would be affected as a member of the council; parliamentarian determined that the resolution was in order.

# Betty Rodgers and Neil Farnsworth Awards

Megan Dayton, Statewide President

Betty Rodgers Award: Adam Novotny (1101) and Carolyn Murphy (401)

Neil Farnsworth Award: Jed Becher (101)

Membership Awards

Sarah Evans, Organizing Council Chair

# Highest membership percentage:

1303 (89.7%)

1901 (82.9%0

# Most improved membership:

1001 (3.8% increase)

101 (2.5% increase)

# Most engage membership (attendance at contract rally):

902 (16.19%)

301 (13.26%)

PAC Update

Monica Weber, PAC Chair

Organizing Council and Political Council Updates

Sarah Evans, Organizing Council Chair, and Cathleen Cotter, Political Council Chair

**M**(Political Council Chair)**SP** to adopt the legislative priorities which were included in the delegate packet, item 6.01.

Vote: 108 Yes; 5 No

#### Legislative priorities approved

M(Nordin) to reconsider Resolution 4. Ruled out of order

M(Olson) to reconsider Resolution 4. Ruled out of order

M(Pearson 2101)SP to adjourn.

Vote: 93 Yes; 19 No

#### Passes

MAPE Delegate Assembly 2021 adjourned at 1234