

The following recommendations are presented for your consideration:

### ***Editorial Amendment***

#### **ARTICLE XIX COMMITTEES:**

Strike in its entirety and insert new ARTICLE XIX PROGRAM DIRECTORS, to read:

##### ~~Section 1.~~

- ~~a.— Program committees may be created by the state board of directors as deemed necessary to promote the purposes and carry on the work of the National and Illinois PTA.~~
- ~~b.— Each committee program director may request a statewide committee of not more than five (5) persons from different geographical areas of the state. All shall be members of a local PTA/PTSA unit.~~
- ~~c.— All committee members serving on committees shall support and comply with the Illinois PTA statements of policy and these bylaws. All committee members must sign and comply with the Ethical Conduct Agreement.~~
- ~~d.— Program directors shall be elected for a term of two (2) years and may serve no more than two (2) terms in the same directorship, with the exception of the legislation positions who may serve no more than three (3) terms. Those who have served one-half (1/2) a term or more shall be considered to have served a full term.~~
- ~~e.— The Legislative Advocacy, Leadership Development and Membership Program Directors shall serve with a vote. All other program directors shall serve with voice and no vote.~~
- ~~f.— Youth program directors may serve through June 30 following their twenty first (21<sup>st</sup>) birthday.~~

##### ~~ELECTION OF PROGRAM DIRECTORS~~

##### ~~Section 2.~~

##### ~~Voting Program Directors~~

- ~~a.— Election of the Legislative Advocacy, Leadership Development and Membership Program Directors shall take place at the annual convention in even numbered years except as provided in these bylaws.~~
- ~~b.— The convention body shall elect the Legislative Advocacy, Leadership Development and Membership Program Directors in accordance with the rules adopted by the convention.~~

##### ~~Advisory Panel Program Directors~~

- ~~a.— A caucus to elect advisory panel program directors shall be held at the annual post-convention meeting.~~
- ~~b.— Current voting board members shall constitute the caucus~~
- ~~c.— The officers of the caucus shall be the president and the secretary.~~
- ~~d.— Program directors shall be elected by ballot vote.~~

##### ~~VACANCIES IN PROGRAM DIRECTOR POSITIONS~~

##### ~~Section 3.~~

- ~~a. Local PTA/PTSA units shall be notified by the secretary when vacancies occur due to resignations, convention or caucus action, and shall be allowed thirty (30) days to submit advisory recommendations.~~
- ~~b. The election shall take place at the meeting of the state board of directors following the date on which the vacancy occurs. Election to fill a vacancy shall require an affirmative vote of the majority of members present. Nominations may be made from the floor provided the consent of the nominee has been obtained. Voting shall be by ballot.~~

## **DUTIES**

### **Section 4.**

- ~~a. Submit an annual plan of work to the appropriate vice president in accordance with the procedures established by the state board of directors.~~
- ~~b. Continue the plan of work established by his predecessor until such time as his plan of work is approved.~~
- ~~c. Submit an annual report to the appropriate vice president in accordance with procedures established by the state board of directors.~~

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## **PROGRAM COMMITTEES**

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- b. All committee members serving on committees shall support and comply with the Illinois PTA statements of policy and these bylaws. All committee members must sign and comply with the Ethical Conduct Agreement.

### *RATIONALE:*

*Rename and rework article to conform with language in other sections of bylaws, and provide program directors latitude to fill their own committees, except where prescribed elsewhere in these bylaws or adopted Board Policy & Procedure.*

## ***Substantive Amendments Recommended***

### **ARTICLE VI-DIVISIONS, #Section 17, b**

Item 3, strike “and” following “PTA”, to read:

#### **A local PTA/PTSA unit in good standing is one which:**

3. has bylaws approved according to the procedures of the Illinois PTA; ~~and~~
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Insert new 4, and renumber subsequent section, to read:

4. has a minimum of twenty-five (25) dues paying members; and
5. meets other criteria as may be prescribed by the Illinois PTA.

*RATIONALE: ARTICLE VIII-DUES AND FEES (Section 5) references twenty-five as minimum and should be included here to reinforce minimum.*

### **ARTICLE VIII-DUES AND FEES, #Section 5,b**

Strike in its entirety and re-letter subsequent lines, to read:

~~A local PTA/PTSA unit not affiliated with a school shall be considered delinquent if by December 31, it has failed to send to the Illinois PTA the state and national portion of dues paid by no less than ten (10) individual members.~~

*Rationale: the minimum for community PTAs should be equal to the minimum requirement for most local PTA units.*

### **ARTICLE X— BOARD DEVELOPMENT AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE, Section 6b, Election**

Strike “plurality” and insert “majority”, to read:

- b. The committee shall report its nominees for board development and nominating committee to the convention body annually, at which time additional nominations may be made from the floor. Nominees from the floor shall have given thirty (30) days written notification prior to the convening of the annual convention of intent to run. Notification must be provided to the Illinois PTA president and the Board Development and Nominating Committee.

The election shall be conducted by ballot when there are more candidates than open positions. A ~~plurality~~ shall elect. When there are an equal number of candidates as open positions, upon motion from the floor, the election may be by voice vote.

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- c. The committee shall report its nominees for Legislative Advocacy, Leadership Development and Membership Program Directors to the convention body in even numbered years, at which time additional nominations may be made from the floor. Nominees from the floor must have given thirty (days) written notification prior to the convening of the annual convention of intent to run. Notification must be provided to the Illinois PTA president and the Board Development and Nominating Committee.

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*Rationale: Plurality allows for an individual to potentially win an election without receiving a majority of votes, which is not a preferred method of election.*

**ARTICLE XII—OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION, Section 6, Election**

Strike “plurality” and insert “majority” to read:

Election of officers shall take place at the annual convention in odd numbered years except as provided in these bylaws.

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*Rationale: plurality allows for an individual to potentially win an election without receiving a majority of votes, which is not a preferred method of election.*

**ARTICLE XIII—DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECRETARY, Section 5 b,**

Strike in its entirety, to read:

~~5 b serve as secretary of the legislation policies committee~~

*Rationale: Legislation Policies committee is capable of managing the official minutes process in the same manner as other committees, using the members of the committee.*