

ARTICLE III

Officers – Elections – Duties

Section 1. The officers shall perform such duties as are stated in Article XVIII of the IBEW Constitution. In addition, they shall perform such duties as are outlined in these bylaws and such duties as may be assigned to them by the Local Union and which are not in conflict with the IBEW Constitution and these bylaws.

Section 2. Failure of officers to perform their duties, the suspension or removal of any officer and the filing of any vacancies, shall be dealt with as stated in Article XVII of the IBEW Constitution.

Section 3. All officers and representatives and all employees shall be bonded to the extent required by the International or any applicable Federal or State law whichever is greater. The bond shall be secured through the International and the premium shall be paid by the Local Union.

Section 4. (a) Nominations for Local Union officers shall be held at the regular meeting of each Unit in April of elections years.

- (b) Members of one Unit may nominate members of another Unit for Local Union office. It is not necessary that such nominees be confined to a particular Unit. A member placing the name of another member in nomination for office when the nominated member is not present, shall at the time the nomination is made, give to the Unit Recorder evidence in writing signed by the nominee, that the nominee agrees to be a candidate for a specific Local Union office. However, any member being nominated in this manner cannot signify his/her intentions to be candidate for more than one (1) specific Local Union office.
- (c) Immediately after nominations, the Unit Recorder shall forward a list of the names of the candidates, signed by the Unit Recorder and the Unit Chairman, to the Recording Secretary of the Local Union.
- (d) After nominations have closed, the President shall appoint an Election Judge and as many Tellers as are required who shall serve as an Election Board to conduct the election. No candidate for office shall be eligible to serve on the Board.
- (e) After nominations have been made and those nominated are found to be qualified, the Election Board shall have ballots prepared, listing in alphabetical order, the names of all the candidates for each respective office, beginning with President and continuing in the order named in

the IBEW Constitution. Such ballots shall not contain any identifying numbers or marks.

- (f) All voting shall be by mail ballot.
- (g) The Financial Secretary shall furnish to the Election Judge not less than twenty-one (21) days before the election, an alphabetical list of all members eligible to vote. All members in good standing and qualified shall be entitled to vote.
- (h) The Executive Board shall decide the last day on which ballots shall be received, and the date, time, and place when the ballots will be counted. This date shall be in the month of June and this information shall be enclosed with the ballot sent to each member eligible to vote.
- (i) The Election Judge shall mail or cause to be mailed to all eligible voters, an official ballot and two (2) envelopes. One envelope shall be smaller than the other and shall have the words **OFFICIAL BALLOT** stamped or printed on it. The larger envelope shall be pre-addressed to the Election Board and shall contain a space in the upper left hand corner where the member shall place his/her name and address.
- (j) Upon receiving his/her ballot, the member shall mark same and enclose it in the smaller envelope marked **OFFICIAL BALLOT**. This envelope shall be placed in the larger pre-addressed envelope and mailed to the Election Board.
- (k) The Election Board shall select a depository to which the envelopes containing the ballot shall be mailed. This shall not be the Local Union Post Office Box or the Local Union Headquarters. (Cost of such depository shall be paid by the Local Union.) This Board shall advise the Local Union of such depository in sufficient time to prepare the pre-addressed envelopes.
- (l) The Election Board shall open the envelopes, remove the smaller envelope marked **OFFICIAL BALLOT** and deposit same in the ballot box with the other ballots. No envelope received later than the time and date as determined and announced by the Executive Board shall be opened by the Election Board.
- (m) The Election Board shall count the ballots and certify the results in writing to the Executive Board immediately after the ballots have been counted.

- (n) All elections records including ballots shall be preserved for one (1) year from the date of election, after which same shall be destroyed unless a question has arisen in connection therewith.
- (o) Any candidate for office may be present or have an IBEW member as an observer present at the counting of the ballots.
- (p) Write-in votes shall not be permitted.
- (q) The election shall be decided for the candidate receiving the most votes for a specific office.

Section 5. (a) The officers shall be those provided for in Article XVII of the IBEW Constitution.

- (b) The offices of Business Manager and Financial Secretary shall be combined.

Section 6. The Executive Board shall consist of the President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and one (1) member from each Unit which shall be the Unit Chairman.

Section 7. (a) Nominations for officers shall be held in **April 1996**, and election of officers shall be held in **June 1996 and every three (3) years thereafter**, as stated in Article XVII of the IBEW Constitution. Notice shall be mailed to all members at least twenty (20) days prior to the meeting for nominations in election years with all information regarding nominations, list of offices to be filled, date, time, and place of election, and the date, time, and place of run-off election if required.

- (b) No member shall be a candidate for more than one (1) office, except as provided in these bylaws and with approval of the International President. If nominated for more than one office, the member shall immediately declare for which office he/she will be a candidate. However, this shall not apply to offices which have been combined with the approval of the International President.
- (c) Every candidate shall have the right once within thirty (30) days prior to the election to inspect a list containing the names and last-known addresses of all the members of the Local Union. Such list of members shall be maintained and kept by the Local Union. The membership list shall not be copied for the use of any candidate.
- (d) No member shall be eligible for office unless he/she has been a member of Local Union 2213 in continuous good standing for at least two (2) years immediately prior to nomination.

Section 8. Officers and Executive Board members will be installed in office at the first Local Union Executive Board meeting held in July following the elections.