

1 **Resolution Number:** 404-2021

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3 **Title:** Amendment to the Bylaws, Article VII Elections, Section 2. Voting

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5 **Reference Committee Assignment:** Governance

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7 **Sponsor(s):** 2020-21 Governance Committee

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9 **Financial Impact:** None

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11 **Board of Trustees Comments:** The board recommends a yes vote.

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13 **Reference Committee Comments:** The reference committee recommends a yes vote.

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15 **Background:** Resolution 403-2021 clarifies that both unofficial and official candidates are listed
16 on the ballot making the language below erroneous.

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18 **RESOLUTION**

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20 **Resolved,** that the Bylaws, Article VII Elections, Section 2. Voting be amended as follows:

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22 Section 2. Voting

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24 A. President and Vice Presidents

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26 The first ballot lists the names of all ~~official~~ candidates for president/vice presidents.
27 Each delegate votes for three different candidates and only ballots with exactly
28 three different candidates selected are valid. The first ballot determines the
29 president/vice presidents and the three candidates receiving the most votes
30 advance to the second ballot. In the case of a tie, more than three candidates will
31 advance to a subsequent ballot containing the remaining candidates' names.
32 Balloting will continue until the president/vice presidents are determined in the
33 same manner as the first ballot.

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35 Once the president/vice presidents are determined, on each subsequent ballot each
36 delegate votes for one candidate for president. Advancing candidates may be asked
37 questions submitted in advance by the district trustees and selected by the chair as
38 per the Standing Rules of the House of Delegates. A candidate for office cannot
39 serve as chair of the House of Delegates during any portion of election proceedings
40 for that office.

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42 The second ballot lists the names of ~~official~~ candidates advancing from the first
43 ballot. Each delegate votes for one candidate. Only ballots with exactly one
44 candidate selected are valid. The candidate with a majority vote is elected president.
45 The two remaining candidates are elected vice presidents. If no candidate receives a
46 majority on the second ballot, the candidate receiving the least votes of the three

47 does not advance and is elected vice president. If the second ballot does not elect a
48 president, delegates cast a third ballot.

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50 The third ballot lists the names of ~~official~~ candidates advancing from the second
51 ballot. Each delegate votes for one candidate. Only ballots with exactly one
52 candidate selected are valid. The candidate with a majority vote is elected president.
53 If the third ballot does not elect a president, the House of Delegates recesses for the
54 purpose of caucusing. The House of Delegates then reconvenes and delegates cast a
55 fourth ballot in the same manner as the third ballot. If the fourth ballot does not
56 elect a president, delegates cast a fifth ballot in the same manner as the third ballot
57 at the beginning of the next business meeting during that Annual Session.

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59 Only advancing candidates are eligible to receive a vote on subsequent ballots.

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61 B. Speaker of the House of Delegates

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63 The first ballot lists the names of all ~~official~~ candidates for speaker of the house.
64 Each delegate votes for one candidate and only ballots with one candidate selected
65 are valid. The candidate with a majority vote is elected speaker of the house. If the
66 first ballot does not elect a speaker of the house, the two candidates receiving the
67 most votes advance to a second ballot.

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69 Advancing candidates may be asked questions submitted in advance by the district
70 trustees and selected by the chair as per the Standing Rules. A candidate for office
71 cannot serve as Chair of the House of Delegates during any portion of election
72 proceedings for that office.

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74 The second ballot lists the names of ~~official~~ candidates advancing from the first
75 ballot. Each delegate votes for one candidate. Only ballots with exactly one
76 candidate selected are valid. The candidate with a majority vote is elected house. If
77 the second ballot does not elect a speaker, the House of Delegates recesses for the
78 purpose of caucusing. The House of Delegates then reconvenes and delegates cast a
79 third ballot in the same manner as the second ballot. If the third ballot does not
80 elect a speaker, delegates cast a fourth ballot in the same manner as the third ballot
81 at the beginning of the next business meeting during that Annual Session.

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83 Only advancing candidates are eligible to receive a vote on subsequent ballots.

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85 C. District Trustee

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87 A district elects a trustee at ASDA Annual Session in accordance with the procedures
88 found in the district's caucus rules. Election ballots must be returned to the
89 secretary of the House of Delegates following election.

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91 D. Eligibility for Voting

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93 Only credentialed delegates may cast a ballot. No absentee ballots are accepted.

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95 **Action:** The Chair moves 404-2021 with a recommendation of a yes vote and to be placed on
96 the Consent Calendar.