

Draft Policy on NMA Elections

- As per the NMA Bylaws, elections for candidates for the positions of President, President-Elect, Director(s), Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the AMA, are to be held as part of the Annual Membership Meeting (annual meeting).
- Elections will be conducted via electronic balloting using technology that is readily available to all NMA members prior to and during the annual meeting.
- Slated candidates will be presented electronically to the membership no later than 14-days prior to the annual meeting.
- NMA shall provide all members with information regarding each candidate on the nominations slate as well as information regarding the duties of the position(s) being voted upon prior to the opening of the balloting period. Members have a responsibility to review this information prior to submitting their ballot.
- The timing of elections may commence no later than 14-days prior to the annual meeting and shall remain open through the opening portions of the annual meeting to allow members a chance to cast a vote if they had not done so previously.
- All NMA members are eligible to vote in an election and may only submit one ballot.
- A plurality of the votes cast will result in the election of a candidate(s) with election of the same number of candidates as open seats.
- The ballot shall consist of all candidates identified by the Nominating Committee (see Nominations policy) and approved by the Board of Directors. Multiple candidates may be nominated per position.
- Candidates for each position are to be listed alphabetically by last name on the ballot with incumbent candidate(s) being designated as such.
- Candidates for President-Elect and Director brought forth by a component society are to be designated as such on the ballot.
- Should an election create an open seat that is to be elected by the membership as per the Bylaws, a special election will be held in a timely fashion after the conclusion of the annual meeting to fill the newly opened seat. This special election will be held electronically and communicated effectively to all membership.