

Steward Council for May 10

1st Proposed amendment

Article II, Section 8. Vacancy in Office

- 93 A. If the office of the president becomes vacant, it shall automatically be filled by the first
94 vice president.
- 95 B. If the office of first vice president, secretary, treasurer, or a TSP/CSP/ESP vice president, or
96 *any executive board member*
97 becomes vacant, it shall be filled by appointment of the president with approval of the
98 executive board by a majority vote.
- 99 ~~C. If a vacancy occurs in the first year of the term of an executive board at-large member, or a~~
100 ~~designated EP/TSP/CSP/ESP board member, the vacancy shall be filled by the candidate~~
101 ~~receiving the next highest number of votes in the last election who is still eligible and~~
102 ~~willing to serve. If a vacancy occurs in the first year of the term and there is no eligible~~
103 ~~candidate to fill the seat, the vacancy shall be filled by presidential appointment with~~
104 ~~approval by a majority vote of the executive board. After the first year, the vacancy shall~~
105 ~~be filled by presidential appointment with approval by a majority vote of the executive~~
106 ~~board.~~
- 107 D. C. A vacancy occurring with less than four (4) months remaining in the term of office, with
108 exception to the office of president, shall remain vacant. ~~Otherwise, all appointments to fill~~
109 ~~vacancies shall be approved within forty-five (45) days.~~
- 110 E. D. A vacancy on the executive board shall exist in the case of death or retirement. In the case
111 of resignation or the inability to serve in a position, a vacancy shall be declared to exist by
official action of the executive board.

2nd proposed amendment:

Article II, Section 4. Elections

- 59 A. The election of officers shall be held every three years. The election cycle shall begin in
60 January of the year in which elections are held and shall end with the resolution of election
61 appeals.
- 62 B. Elections shall be conducted by mail ballot, or by an equally reliable and accepted method,
63 as determined by the Executive Board, to all eligible voting members of the BTU
64 bargaining unit.
- 65 C. *Only members in good standing, active or retired, shall be eligible to vote for Executive
Officers (President, 1st Vice President, Secretary and/or Treasurer)*
- D. *Only active members in good standing shall be eligible to vote for At-Large Executive board
members.*
- E. *New members whose dues were received thirty (30) or more days prior to the nomination
period shall be eligible to vote.*
- 67 ~~D.~~ F. Only members of each respective bargaining unit shall be eligible to vote in the election of
68 TSP/CSP/ESP vice presidents and designated EP/TSP/CSP/ESP executive board members.
- 69 E. G. Only the following four (4) executive officers – president, first vice president, secretary,
70 and treasurer – shall be permitted to slate on the ballot. For all other candidates, slating
71 shall be prohibited; they shall be listed individually on the election ballot.
- 72 F. H. Elections shall be conducted in conformity with US Labor Standards and the Labor
73 Management Reporting and Disclosure Act, 1959 (LMRDA).

NOTE: Above proposed amendments were announced at Feb 15, 2017 Steward Council Meeting.

(*italics* = additions ~~strikethrough~~ = deletions)