

Proposal to Amend PAT Bylaws

October 26, 2016

This is to provide notice to the Representative Assembly of a proposed amendment to the PAT Bylaws. The proposed amendment, which is stated below, will be presented to the RA delegates at the November 30, 2016 PAT Representative Assembly for consideration.

Proposed amendment (this shows current Bylaws language, with the proposed changes):

ARTICLE 12 NOMINATIONS, BALLOTING AND ELECTIONS

Nominations and elections shall be conducted according to procedures and policies set forth in these Bylaws and in the Nominations and Elections Handbook.

Section 1 Nominations

a) The Nominations and Elections Committee shall declare to the PAT Representative Assembly no later than the November meeting vacancies for offices, Executive Board directorship and delegates to the Representative Assemblies of OEA and NEA. The Nominations and Elections Committee shall close nominations ~~at the December~~ no later than the January Representative Assembly. Any Association member may nominate other candidates from the floor, providing the candidate shall have given prior consent.

b) The Nominations and Elections Committee shall report at the January PAT Representative Assembly the names of candidates.

Rationale: This provides flexibility to the Nominations and Elections Committee in the event that a December PAT Representative Assembly meeting is not scheduled. The Handbook will be amended to require the Nominations and Elections Chairperson to publish the election schedule no later than the October RA.

Article XIV of the PAT Bylaws provides:

Section 2 Amendments

These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the representatives in attendance at a Representative Assembly provided that proposed amendments have been sent to representatives not fewer than twenty-one (21) days in advance of the meeting. Unless otherwise specified, approved amendments shall become effective immediately upon passage.