

Amendment to Article IV, Section 1, National Council add to (a) (ii)

- (a) (ii) Officers shall be members of National Council as Ex Officio, with full voting rights and all other privileges.**

PROPOSED AMEDMENTS TO REFLECT NEW ELECTION PROCEDURES

AFFECTED PROVISIONS ARE ARTICLES V AND VI

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE V

Article V - Executive Committee

- a. Amend by deleting “The NC members with voting rights” and by inserting an “electoral college formed in accordance with the procedures and provisions of Article VI shall elect the following positions (1 each): President, Executive Vice President, General Secretary, Joint Secretary and Treasurer (collectively called “Officers”). The Regional Vice Presidents shall be elected by the National Council members with voting rights of the respective regions, in accordance with procedures and provisions of Article VI. In case there are more than one person contesting for any position, the election shall be conducted by secret ballot.
- b. Delete: All NC members with voting rights and whose term in the NC does not expire before the term of the NC are eligible to file nomination for one position in the Executive Committee”

Add: (a) Eligibility to file nomination for the position of President: The candidates for the position of President shall have served as a KCCNA EC member currently or previously (President, Executive Vice President, General Secretary, Joint Secretary, Treasurer, Regional Vice President, KCWFNA President, KCYLNA President)(including previously served as Presidents and Secretaries of member Associations, President, General Secretary, EVP, Joint Secretary, Treasurer, 3 delegates of KCYLNA and 3 delegates of KCWFNA). However, current Presidents and Secretaries of member Associations, 3 delegates of KCYLNA and 3 delegates of KCWFNA are ineligible to file nomination for the five KCCNA Officer positions.

Add: (b) Candidates for the position of President shall list, as “Team mates” along with their nomination documents, the names, addresses and the names of their respective member association for the other four “Officer” positions, namely, Executive Vice President, General Secretary, Joint Secretary and Treasurer. Only one name shall be listed for each “other four Officer” position. The other four individual officers will serve with the elected President as a Team. In the event one of the “other Officers “steps down after the nomination deadline passes, or after the election, the National Council shall appoint the replacement. “Team mates” for the position of Executive Vice President, General Secretary, Joint Secretary and Treasurer shall have served as a KCCNA NC member previously (including previously served as Presidents and Secretaries of member Associations, 3 delegates of KCYLNA and 3 delegates of KCWFNA). However, current Presidents and Secretaries of member Associations 3 delegates of KCYLNA and 3 delegates of KCWFNA are ineligible to file nomination for the five KCCNA Officer positions. Only one member of the team (that is, five member Officer team) shall be selected from any particular KCCNA member association.

Add: Eligibility to file nomination for the 8 RVP positions: Respecting the rotational requirement contained in the constitution, all NC members (of the incoming NC) from the respective region with voting rights and whose term in the NC does not expire before the term of the NC are eligible to file nomination for the RVP position of their respective region. Presidents and Secretaries of member Associations that have additional NC members, the immediately past President and General Secretary of KCCNA who are current NC members as Ex Officio, 3 delegates of KCYLNA and 3 delegates of KCWFNA are ineligible to file nomination for the position of RVP.

Add: "An individual shall be eligible to file nomination only for one position in the Executive Committee".

Delete: However, the past KCCNA President and General Secretary shall be eligible to file nomination, if they get elected as National council members".

(c) Article IV section 2 (x) also shall apply to deny eligibility to file nomination.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE VI

Article VI - Election & Procedures

New election procedures shall become effective from the 2017 election.

Renumber sub sections 1 to 15 under Section 2 (deleting or repealing paragraphs 4 and 10 and modifying paragraph 3 by deleting "at a place and time arranged by the Executive Committee"

New Section 1

In order to promote the principle of democracy within the association, KCCNA implements a form of direct election to the five national positions of KCCNA (president, EVP, General Secretary, Joint Secretary, Treasurer). For the purpose of election, the EC has been categorized as:

1. "KCCNA Officers" which consists exclusively of President, Executive Vice President ("EVP"), General Secretary, Joint Secretary, and Treasurer (five members)
2. "KCCNA RVPs" which consists exclusively of the Regional Vice Presidents of KCCNA's 8 regions (eight members)

Election procedures – Executive Committee (commencing with the 2017-2018 term)

a. Election of the 5 KCCNA Officers

1. An "electoral college" shall be formed consisting of "electoral votes" equal to the number of elected NC members (including Presidents and Secretaries of member associations, but excluding outgoing President and General Secretary, three KCYLNA delegates and three KCWFNA delegates). The By-law shall have a list of electoral votes for each unit.
2. Each member of the member association 18 years of age and over (known as "universal adult suffrage"), shall be eligible to cast 1 (one) vote for the position of **President**.
3. Voting shall be conducted in the last week of March in the election year, with the final day of voting set as the last Saturday of March.
4. Electronic voting, using secure internet facility shall be an option available to the voter. In person paper ballot voting shall also be accorded for one (1) day within the voting period, which shall be a Sunday or Saturday.
5. Electoral votes in each member association shall be allocated to candidates based on the percentage of their individual vote share (of the valid votes cast) to four (4) decimal points.
6. The Election Committee shall tally and add up the valid electoral votes received in each member association by each candidate. The individual who receives the highest number of valid electoral votes shall be declared **elected, along with his/her team**. In case of a tie,

the four (4) decimal points provided for in 5 above shall be expanded further until one individual receives higher electoral votes than every other candidate.

(b) Election of the 8 KCCNA RVPs

1. The RVPs shall be elected by the elected NC members with voting rights (including Presidents and Secretaries of member associations, but excluding outgoing President and General Secretary of KCCNA, three KCYLNA delegates and three KCWFNA delegates) of the respective regions.
2. In case of an election, the candidate in each region who receives the highest number of valid votes cast shall be declared elected. In case of a tie, the winner shall be determined by “coin-toss”.
3. Voting may be conducted simultaneously with the voting for the **President**, but not later than the last Saturday of March of the election year.

Amend Article VI, (5) by changing from “fourteen days” to “thirty (30) days”

Amend VI (11) as follows: Delete and replace as follows “Each candidate can delegate up to 2 (two) authorized agents for each member association, except Chicago, NY, Houston and Tampa. For each of these 4 (four) associations, each candidate can delegate up to 5 (five) authorized agents

New paragraph 14: Local association EC shall provide the necessary assistance and logistic support to the Election Committee with respect to all aspects of the balloting. Local associations shall provide an “official Voters list” to KCCNA EC by **November 30th** of the year prior to the election year.

New paragraph 15: The EC shall scrutinize and verify the accuracy of the “official voters list”. Each member of the member association 18 years of age and over shall be eligible to be on the “Official Voters List” If an eligible voter’s name appears on more than one member association’s list, the EC shall delete such names from all member association lists except one, determined strictly based on the voter’s domicile address and the geographical boundary of the member association. EC shall provide the final scrutinized voter’s list to the Election Committee by **February 10th** of the election year.