

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### Annual Election

#### **Section 1.**

The annual election of officers and members of the Board shall take place at the annual meeting. The officers and members of the Board thus elected shall take office immediately.

#### **Section 2.**

At least thirty (30) days in advance of the annual meeting in each year the Nominating Committee shall nominate a slate of officers and members of the Board to be voted for at the annual meeting. The slate reported by such Committee shall be filed with the Secretary and shall be set forth in the notice of the annual meeting to be given by the Secretary. Any members in good standing may nominate candidates for any vacancy on the Board. Such nomination shall be in writing with the signature of the person so nominated and shall be placed in the hands of the Secretary no less than thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting. The Secretary shall certify thereto and mail, or email, a copy of such nominations to each member of the Association at least five (5) days before the annual meeting. All votes at the annual meeting shall be by voice vote unless otherwise ordered by the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee or unless there shall be more than one (1) candidate nominated for any vacant position in which instance the election shall be set by secret ballot. If secret ballots are required they shall be prepared by the Nominating Committee and hand delivered to each regular or affiliate voting member at the annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall be responsible for collecting, counting and reporting the results of the vote to the President.