

**NOTICE TO MEMBERS:
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO NYWBA BY-LAWS**

The NYWBA Board has voted to amend the NYWBA By-Laws to provide that the outgoing NYWBA President automatically serve in the year after her term in the newly created position of "Immediate Past President." In this capacity, the Past President will automatically continue as a member of the Board and serve as an unelected officer and a member of the Committee on Nominations. The text of the amendments appears below (underlined text is new; replaced text appears with strikeouts). (The changes to Article XVII also remove some archaic text that is a residual from past By-Laws changes.) A vote to ratify these amendments will take place at NYWBA's Annual Membership Meeting on Thursday, April 26, 2018.

ARTICLE II – OFFICERS

SECTION 1

Text if proposed 2018 amendments pass:

The officers of the Association shall be a President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President and Third Vice-President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer. These officers shall be elected at the annual membership meeting ("annual meeting") in April by a plurality vote of the eligible members present and voting in person or by proxy and shall be inducted at a subsequent meeting of the Association for a one-year term commencing June 1. In addition to the elected officers, the Immediate Past President of the Association shall serve as an unelected officer for a one-year term commencing June 1. Should the Immediate Past President be unable or unwilling to serve after her term as President, this position shall not be filled.

Redlined edition showing details of proposed 2018 revisions:

The officers of the Association shall be a President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President and Third Vice-President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer. ~~These officers of the Association shall be elected annually~~ at the annual membership meeting ("annual meeting") in April by a plurality vote of the eligible members present and voting in person or by proxy and shall be inducted at a subsequent meeting of the Association for a one-year term commencing June 1. In addition to the elected officers, the Immediate Past President of the Association shall serve as an unelected officer for a one-year term commencing June 1. Should the Immediate Past President be unable or unwilling to serve after her term as President, this position shall not be filled.

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ARTICLE XVII – COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

SECTION 1

Text if proposed 2018 amendments pass:

This committee shall consist of eight elected members, who shall be primary members of the Association, plus the President and Immediate Past President. The elected members of the committee shall be divided into two (2) classes of four members each. Each class shall be elected at the Annual Meeting in alternate years for a term of two (2) years to succeed those whose terms expire. Any vacancy or vacancies in the other class shall also be filled at said meeting.

Redlined edition showing details of proposed 2018 revisions:

This committee shall consist of eight elected members, who shall be primary members of the Association ~~and who shall be elected from nominations made from the floor pursuant to par. b of this Section, and~~, plus the President and Immediate Past President.

~~Membership on~~ The elected members of the committee shall be divided into two (2) classes of four members each, and the President. Each class shall be elected at the Annual Meeting in alternate years for a term of two (2) years to succeed those whose terms expire. Any vacancy or vacancies in the other class shall also be filled at said meeting. ~~The four candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected for terms of two (2) years and of the remaining candidates, those receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected to fill any vacancies.~~

~~The election of the Committee on Nominations shall take place at the annual meeting of the Association, except that the first election of the Committee after the passage of the amendment to these by-laws to change the date of its election to the annual meeting shall be held at the first membership meeting after the passage of said amendment.~~

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