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At each Annual Summer Meeting, the Board of Directors shall elect a president-elect from among the members of the Board of Directors with two (2) or more years remaining in his or her four-year term.

#### I. Term of Office

The president and president-elect shall each serve a one-year term from annual summer meeting to annual summer meeting. Except for a president-elect who has been elected to fill an unexpired term, no president or president-elect is eligible for re-election within the limit of his or her four-year term.

### 13.7 Ordinary Succession to Presidency

At the conclusion of the annual summer meeting at which the president's term expires, the president-elect shall succeed to the presidency.

#### Election Process for President Elect

The eligibility criteria for candidates interested in running for the post of president-elect is two-fold:

- Candidates must have served on the Board for one year prior to becoming eligible for candidacy.
  - Candidates must have two years remaining within their term in order to be considered eligible.
1. At the January meeting, the President will announce eligible candidates and distribute an overview of the President's responsibilities. Interested candidates will be asked to discuss the position with their respective Boards, etc.
  2. At the April meeting, eligible candidates will advise the President of their interest in the position.
  3. At the June/July meeting, the President will call for nominations at the meeting of the Board and distribute ballots for the closed election if appropriate.
  4. In the event there are three candidates, the candidate with the lowest vote total will be dropped after the first ballot, unless one individual receives the necessary votes for election.
  5. If there are three candidates and no majority is reached by any on the first ballot, second ballots for the remaining two candidates will be cast.
  6. Two additional ballots will be cast if neither candidate receives a majority of votes.
  7. If a President-elect has not been chosen after three ballots among the remaining candidates, the selection shall be made by a vote of the National Council at its next meeting. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes from the voting members present shall be elected.

8. If a candidate has not been chosen after three National Council ballots among the remaining two candidates, the selection will be made by a flip of the coin.