

## REGULATION 7

### **Election of REVP and Alternate REVP**

#### **Eligibility of Nominees for Office – REVP and Alternate REVP**

1. All nominees for the office of REVP - BC and Alternate REVP – BC shall be members in good standing of the PSAC
2. (a) A nominee for office as the Regional Executive Vice-president or alternate shall reside in the BC region.  
(b) Nominees for the office of Regional Executive Vice-president - BC shall be prepared to live in a location as determined by the Alliance Executive Committee.

#### **Nomination of REVP and Alternate REVP**

1. At each Triennial Regional Convention, a Nominations Committee of at least three (3) persons shall be appointed by the Regional Council from among those present, other than staff
2. The duties of the Nominations Committee shall be to:
  - (a) receive nominations for the offices of REVP and Alternate REVP;
  - (b) verify the eligibility of nominees for office;
  - (c) ascertain the willingness of nominees to accept and perform the duties of the office to which they may be elected; and
  - (d) report to the Triennial Regional Convention the names of all such nominees.
3. Nominations for the office of REVP and Alternate REVP filed with the Nominations Committee shall be in writing, signed by a nominator and a seconder, each of whom shall be an accredited delegate.
4. (a) Nominees who are not present at the Convention must submit a nomination form to the PSAC Regional Coordinator in confidence prior to the start of the Regional Convention.  
  
(b) Nominees who are delegates to the Regional Convention can submit a nomination form to the Regional Coordinator in confidence prior to the start of the Regional Convention or be nominated from the floor of the Regional Convention. The Regional Coordinator will provide the sealed nomination forms received prior to the commencement of Convention to the Chair of the Nominations Committee as soon as the Nomination Committee has been ratified by Convention.

5. The Chairperson of the Nominations Committee shall be appointed by the Regional Council and shall conduct the election of REVP and Alternate REVP. The Chairperson shall have the power to appoint scrutineers and assistants deemed necessary to conduct the elections in an orderly manner, subject to the limitations of (1) above.

### **Election of the REVP and Alternate REVP**

1. The election of the Regional Executive Vice-President - BC and the Alternate Regional Executive Vice-president – BC shall be conducted in turn. Each office shall be called in turn and completed before the next office is called.
2. As the election for the office of REVP and Alternate REVP is called, the Nominee, Nominator or Seconder of each nominee, whether filed previously with the Nominations Committee or nominated from the floor, may speak to the Triennial Regional Convention for not more than three (3) minutes on behalf of that nominee.
3. The election to the office of REVP and Alternate REVP shall be by secret ballot. A blank ballot paper shall be distributed to all voting delegates, for each office in turn as it is called. Each voting delegate shall write on the ballot paper the name of his/her choice for the office called, from among the nominees for office.
4. Election to the office of REVP and Alternate REVP shall be declared only on receipt of a clear majority of the ballots cast with standings revealed to voting delegates after each ballot. In the event that more than two (2) nominees stand for election to any one office, the election procedure shall be by way of elimination.
5. In the event of a tie vote, the Chairperson shall immediately take a second ballot without recess or adjournment. If this results in a second tie vote, the Chairperson shall call a short recess before taking the third ballot.
6. Upon completion of the election of the REVP and Alternate REVP, the Nominations Committee will sign a declaration outlining the number of accredited delegates, the number of accredited delegates voting, the vote tally for each candidate, and the number of spoiled ballots for each ballot during the election of the REVP. The signed declaration will be forwarded to the PSAC National President and maintained on file.
7. The REVP and the Alternate REVP shall take office at the end of the BC Triennial Convention.

8. Members elected to the position of Regional Executive Vice-President shall not hold Component, Local or Branch Executive Officer positions other than steward.

### **Vacancy in the Position of REVP or Alternate REVP**

1. A vacancy in the office of REVP shall be filled by the Alternate REVP.
2. A vacancy in the office of Alternate REVP occurring six months or more prior to the BC Regional Triennial Convention shall be filled in the following manner:
  - (a) Nominations shall be called by the Alliance Executive Committee from amongst all members in the BC region.
  - (b) The AEC shall ensure that all nominees are members in good standing of the PSAC in the BC region of the PSAC.
  - (c) The nominations process will be concluded within 60 days from the date of notice of vacancy in the position of Alternate REVP.
  - (d) If there is more than one nominee for the office of Alternate REVP, and an election is necessary, it shall be conducted by the AEC from amongst those members in good standing who were voting delegates at the preceding BC Triennial Regional Convention.

**PLEASE NOTE:** This regulation should only be altered on advice from the Executive office. It is important that all regions follow the same election procedure.