



Ontario Nurses Association - Local 8

Elections 2019 - 2020 Term of Office

Nominations

6. The call for nominations for all positions to be elected takes place at least 45 days prior to an election and must be posted in the relevant workplaces (*By-Law V #6*). This notice must include the date, time and place of the election, the positions being contested and the details of the nomination process. (Note the notice could indicate the geographic location(s) of the election with logistical details to follow ie actual rooms). Local policy should clearly describe the locations and methods for the posting of such notices and may include the ONA Bulletin Board, e-mail and local website. The call for nominations must include the time and date by which all nominations must be received and also indicate who on the Election Team the nomination forms must be sent to. Nomination forms may be submitted electronically, subject to the requirements of #7 below.

7. Nomination forms are available from the Election Committee (*By-Law V*). Nomination forms must contain the signature of two (2) members of the Chartered Local Association or Bargaining Unit, as applicable. A candidate cannot self-nominate.

8. The Election Committee shall review all nomination forms for entitlement status of the nominators and the candidates. Should a candidate or nominator not have membership entitlements, then the Election Committee will notify the candidate whose nomination form is not in order as soon as reasonably possible.

9. Nomination forms must be opened as they are received by the designated person on the Election Team. Candidates may confirm that their nomination form has been received and is in order with the Election Committee prior to the posting of the Ticket of Nominations. The Election Committee will notify the Local Coordinator one week prior to the close of nominations if there are any positions where a nomination form has yet to be received.

10. If at the close of the nomination period there is only one candidate for office, that person will be acclaimed into office by the Election Committee.

11. Nomination forms shall be served upon the Election Committee at least twenty (20) days before the date of the election. The Election Committee prepares a Ticket of Nominations, listing all positions being contested and the names of the candidates for each position. The list is to be posted in a prominent location in relevant workplaces as determined by Local policy at least 10 days before an election (*By-Law V #8*). The Election Committee should follow-up to ensure that the Ticket of Nominations has been posted in all applicable bargaining units.

12. The Constitution places limitations on how many Local Executive Offices a member can hold. There is, however, no limitation on how many Local Executive Offices for which a member can run within the same Local.

There is no restriction on the number of Local Committee positions (which are not part of the Local Executive) or Bargaining Unit committee positions that a member can run for and hold.