

Section 4. Trustee Removal for Lack of Eligibility

A Trustee shall be removed from the Board of Trustees, upon a majority vote of the Board of Trustees, if, during a regularly scheduled public meeting, the Secretary presents documentation and has notified the Trustee in question, that the Trustee is (a) no longer an Eligible Member of the Community; (b) the Trustee is no longer eligible to serve as a Trustee due to not meeting the member attendance requirements in Article VI, Section 1.F of these Bylaws; or (c) the Trustee fails to attend an orientation training session pursuant to Article VI, Section 7 of these Bylaws.

Section 5. Oath of Office

Each Trustee shall be sworn in by an oath of office.

ARTICLE IV Vacancies

Section 1. The LJCPA shall find that a vacancy exists upon (a) the receipt of a resignation in writing from a Trustee; (b) removal of a Trustee pursuant to Article III, Section 4; or, (c) removal of a Trustee pursuant to Article IX, Section 3.

Section 2. Vacancies that may occur on LJCPA shall be filled not later than 120 days following the date of the determination of the vacancy. The term of office of any Member filling a Trustee vacancy shall be for the balance of the vacated term.

The LJCPA shall fill Trustee vacancies by an advertised special election pursuant to Article V.

Section 3. When the LJCPA is unable to fill a Trustee vacancy within 120 days, as specified above, and the LJCPA has more than twelve Trustees, either the seat may remain vacant until the next LJCPA election, or these Bylaws may be amended to permit decreased Trusteeship to a minimum of 12 Trustees.

If a Trustee vacancy remains for more than 60 days from the time a vacancy is declared, and there are less than 12 elected LJCPA Trustees in good standing, the LJCPA shall report in writing the efforts made to fill the vacancy to the City.

ARTICLE V Elections

Section 1. Election Policies for Annual and Special Elections

A. Annual Elections: Annual elections of LJCPA Trustees shall be held during the month of March in accordance with the election procedures found in this Article.

B. Special Elections: Special elections shall be called as required by these Bylaws. The election and voting policies and procedures for special elections shall be the same as the policies and procedures for annual elections with the exception of applicable dates and times for the special election. An ad hoc election committee shall be appointed to provide time for an election to replace vacancies within the 120-day time limit required by Article 4, Section 2.

Section 2. Elections Committee and Candidate Forum for Annual Elections

The LJCPA's Election Committee shall be established no later than the first week of January and shall solicit Members to become candidates. The LJCPA shall make a good faith effort to utilize means appropriate to publicize the LJCPA's eligibility requirements for candidacy and the upcoming election. A candidate forum shall be advertised and held at the regularly scheduled February meeting or at a special meeting in February. In February, the Election Committee shall

present to the Board of Trustees a complete list of interested candidates collected up to that point in time including verification that each interested individual is qualified to be a candidate.

Section 3.

Candidate Qualifications

Persons interested in running for a Trustee seat shall express their interest in writing or by electronic communication to the Election Committee. The deadline to qualify for candidacy in the March election shall be at the conclusion of the regular or special February LJCPA meeting. Candidates may announce their interest in running and be added to the list at the February meeting subject to their being qualified as a candidate. In order to be a candidate in an election to become a Trustee, a Member of the LJCPA must have documented attendance at three of the LJCPA's meetings in the preceding 12-month period.

In the election process, the LJCPA shall seek enough new Trustee candidates to exceed the number of Trustee seats open for election in order to allow those who have served for six consecutive years to leave the group for at least one year.

Section 4.

Voting Policies

All voting policies are established with the goal of assuring fair access to the election process and to avoid voting improprieties.

The LJCPA holds its annual election at the La Jolla Recreation Center from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on the day of the March regular meeting.

The LJCPA will require proof of identity of those LJCPA Members who are seeking to vote in Trustee elections.

The ballot presented to LJCPA Members to vote will clearly identify which candidates are running, how many candidates can be selected, and which candidates, if any, must receive a 2/3 majority of the vote due to service beyond six consecutive years of service.

Write-in candidates are allowed. If it is later determined that the write-in candidate is ineligible, any vote cast for an ineligible write-in candidate is an invalid vote and will not be counted.

Voting shall be by secret written ballot. Proxy voting for elections is not allowed under any circumstances. Development and promotion of "slates" of candidates is contrary to the intent of Council Policy 600-24.

No person may campaign for votes within ninety feet of the building in which a polling place is located. Election Committee officials may provide for the removal of persons violating this prohibition.

Section 5.

Election Procedures

The Elections Handbook, which is an attachment to the Administrative Guidelines, provides general guidance for Planning Group elections. The following are procedures pertaining to all LJCPA elections:

A. The President of the LJCPA will appoint and the Board of Trustees shall ratify an Election Committee consisting of 4 to 7 members. Said Election Committee shall not include any Trustee who will stand for re-election or any Member that is running in the election. The primary purpose of this committee is to supervise the election preparation as well as the election itself. The Election Committee shall also review the eligibility of candidates between the