NOTEBOOK

North Vancouver Teachers' Association

Issue #6 January 19, 2022

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

Proposed changes to the NVTA Constitution and Bylaws

As per the NVTA Constitution, extraordinary resolutions require two weeks written notice. As well, changes to the Constitution and Bylaws by extraordinary resolution, under the Societies Act, are not amendable at the meeting since any substantive changes require two weeks written notice.

- That the NVTA Executive recommend that 5.22 be amended to:
 - 5.22 The elections for Executive positions shall be conducted in the following order:

a.	President	g.	Treasurer
b.	Local Representative(s)	h.	Member-at-Large (in their first five years)
C.	Alternate Local Representative	i.	Bargaining Chair
d.	First Vice President	j.	Professional Development Chair
e.	Second Vice President	k.	Social Justice Chair
f.	Secretary	l.	Members-at-Large (5)

- That the NVTA Executive recommend that 5.28 be amended to:
 - 5.28 Candidates for Secretary, Treasurer, Member-at-Large (in their first five years), Members-at-Large, Bargaining Chair, Professional Development Chair, Social Justice Chair and Alternate Local Representative shall be declared elected on receiving at least a majority (over 50%) of the valid ballots cast. Following an indecisive ballot, the vote count, without the corresponding candidate's names, shall be announced and the meeting shall decide how many candidates shall be deleted for the next ballot.
- That the NVTA Executive recommend that 5.30 be amended to:
 - 5:30 a. Candidates defeated in an election for Executive office shall be deemed nominated for the office next to be filled, with the exception of the positions of Local Representative, Bargaining Chair, Professional Development Chair and Social Justice Chair.
 - b. The positions of Local Representative, Bargaining Chair, Professional Development Chair and Social Justice Chair shall be contested as a separate election and candidates will be accepted only through direct nomination using the regular procedures of the NVTA By-Laws, Policies and Procedures.
 - c. At a time prior to the conducting of a ballot any candidate may, by giving notice to the meeting, withdraw from the contest.

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- That the NVTA Executive recommend that Section 5, D be deleted:
 - D. Electoral Procedures for Committee Chairpersons
 - 5.36 Elections for Committee Chairpersons shall be conducted for the following positions:
 - a. Bargaining
 - b. Professional Development
 - c. Social Justice

Chairpersons of these committees shall be elected on receiving at least a majority (over 50%) of the valid ballots cast.

- That the NVTA Executive recommend that Section 5.54 be amended to:
 - 5.54 Chairpersons of Bargaining, Professional Development, Social Justice as well as the Nominating and Balloting Officer, shall be elected for one year terms at the Annual General Meeting.
- That the NVTA Executive recommend that 5.56 be deleted:
 - 5.56 The Chairperson of the Bargaining Committee shall be elected to serve for a one year term or until a Collective Agreement has been negotiated with the Board, whichever comes last. All other members of the Bargaining Committee shall be elected to serve for a one year term or until a Collective Agreement has been negotiated with the Board, whichever comes last.
- That the NVTA Executive recommend that 6.1 be amended to:
 - There shall be an Executive Committee which shall consist of a President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, and Immediate Past President, Treasurer, Secretary, Local Representatives to the BCTF Representative Assembly, an alternate Local Representative to the BCTF Representative Assembly, a Member-at-Large (in their first five years), and five (5) Members-at-Large, Bargaining Chair, Professional Development Chair and the Social Justice Chair.
- That the NVTA Executive recommend that 6.07 be amended to:
 - 6.07 Signing officers of the NVTA shall consist of the President, the First Vice-President, the Second Vice-President and the Treasurer.

Second Call for Candidates!

2022 BCTF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Saturday, March 19 – Tuesday, March 22

If you would like to dedicate a portion of your Spring Break to representing your colleagues and participating in the business of the union, please consider putting your name forward to be elected as an NVTA Delegate to the BCTF Annual General Meeting! Delegates will be elected at the February 2, 2022 General Meeting. Candidate statements will be published in the *Notebook*, which is distributed to members in hard copy, via email and is posted at nvta.ca prior to the election.

If you would like to learn more about the time commitment and responsibilities of a BCTF AGM delegate, please call the NVTA office (604.988.3224) and speak to a Table Officer, or send an email to beth@nvta.ca.

Candidates can also be nominated from the floor at the General Meeting. However, if you wish to have a statement published and circulated to voting members prior to the General Meeting, please complete a nomination/candidate statement form by the **Monday, January 24, 2022 deadline**.

NVTA Office hours are Monday to Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

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