

Committee on Nominations and Elections
Report to Council
New Orleans National Meeting, April 10, 2013

N&E is responsible for reviewing annually the distribution of member population within the six electoral districts to assure that the districts have equitable representation. The 2012 year-end report was in compliance due to the redistricting of two local sections.

At the Philadelphia meeting, Councilors called for a broader and long-lasting solution to requirements that Board electoral districts have parity in member populations. N&E discussed a revised redistricting proposal which brings all six election districts within 400-1000 members of the mid-point of the permissible range. This should eliminate the need for frequent small changes for some time to come. The proposal will be up for vote at the fall meeting in Indianapolis. The proposal and map is available on the N&E website. Please read through the proposal and share any concerns with N&E through our email address at nomelect@acs.org.

N&E continues to remind all Divisions and Local Sections that their elections must be conducted in compliance with *their bylaws and with ACS Bylaws*.

The committee developed slates of potential candidates for the Council Policy Committee (CPC) and the Committee on Committees (ConC) for 2014-2016 terms.

The Task Force on Town Hall Meetings and the Task Force on Campaign Services are still considering possible improvements to aid nominees and candidates throughout the election process.

N&E continues to solicit names of qualified individuals for President-Elect and/or Directors for future consideration. Please submit suggestions to nomelect@acs.org.

N&E considered the Petition to amend the National Election Procedures. The committee hears and supports the petitioner's intent to shorten the election timelines for President-Elect and the Board of Directors. However, N&E still does not support the petition as presented. N&E strives to improve the election process through our task force on election time lines.

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