

SCHOOL BOARD BYLAWS

Officers: Election and Term of Office

A. Election

The Chair and Vice Chair shall be elected by the School Board for a one-year term at the annual organizational meeting which will be the first regular meeting in January. At such meeting, the Clerk and Deputy Clerk shall be appointed by the School Board for a one-year term upon recommendation of the Superintendent.

1. Procedure for electing Chair

- a. At the annual organizational meeting the Superintendent shall serve as Chair pro tem for the sole purpose of electing the Chair;
- b. The election procedure begins with the call for the nomination of candidates for the position of Chair. The nomination of any candidate does not require a second. A motion to close the nomination is not necessary but, when made, requires an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the School Board. A motion to re-open nominations requires a majority vote of the School Board;
- c. If fewer than four candidates are nominated for the Chair, candidates will be voted for electronically utilizing the voting colors green, red, and yellow on the electronic voting board if available or by manually displaying the color of choice. School Board Members participating remotely may verbally inform the Clerk of their votes. The candidates will draw for their voting color and the Clerk will inform the School Board Members which candidate is assigned to each color;
- d. School Board Members will then vote for a candidate by selecting the color that corresponds to the candidate of their choice ~~on the electronic voting board~~. The candidate with the most votes will be declared the Chair. If four or more candidates are nominated for the position of Chair, then the candidates will be voted upon in an order determined by random process.

2. Procedure for electing Vice Chair - the newly elected Chair will conduct the election for Vice Chair using the same procedure.

B. Term of Office

The Chair and Vice Chair shall serve in those positions until the annual organizational meeting or the election of officers is completed, whichever ever happens first. If the Chair's elected/appointed term of office on the School Board expires before the annual organizational meeting, the Vice Chair shall act as Chair until the annual organizational meeting. If the Vice Chair's elected/appointed term of office on the School Board expires before the annual organizational meeting, the most senior serving (in a continuous term) School Board Member whose last name is first alphabetically shall act as Vice Chair until the annual meeting.

Legal Reference

Code of Virginia § 22.1-76, as amended. Chairman; clerk; Vice Chairman; deputy clerk; terms; compensation and bonds of clerk and deputy clerk; officers ineligible to serve as clerk and deputy clerk; approval of division superintendent's designee.

Charter of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia §§3:02:1, 3.02:2 and 16.04, as amended.

Related Links

School Board [Bylaw 1-37](#)

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