

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

I. Nominations

Candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education (the Board) shall be nominated by a petition directed to the District Clerk of the Waterville Central School District (the District) which is signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the district, or by two percent (2%) of the number of voters who voted in the previous annual election, whichever is greater. Petitions must state the residence of each signer, the name and residence of each candidate.

II. Notice of the Annual District Meeting

The notice of the Annual District Meeting must state that petition nominating candidates for the Board must be filed with the District Clerk no later than 30 days before the annual or special District Meeting at which the school board election will occur.

III. Voting

A. Voting will be by machine or absentees, and provision shall be made for the election by "write-in-vote" of any candidate not previously nominated. The position of candidates on ballots shall be determined by lot at a drawing conducted by the District Clerk on the day after the last filing. Candidates or their proxies may be present for the drawing.

B. The hours of voting shall be as indicated by Board resolution.

IV. Election

The elections of members of the Board shall be held on the Wednesday next following the day designated for the holding the Annual District Meeting. The following items shall be voted upon:

1. the annual budget,
2. any vacancies on the Board, and
3. any special propositions that have been properly presented.

The candidates receiving the largest number of votes shall be declared elected in accordance with Education Law.

V. Inspectors of Election

At least ten (10) days prior to the election, the Board shall appoint at least two (2) inspectors of election for each voting machine, and set their salary.

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VI. District Clerk Responsibility

The District Clerk shall oversee the election. The District Clerk shall give notice immediately to persons declared elected to the Board, informing them of the election and their term of office.

VII. Eligible Voters

Only qualified voters as determined by Education Law § 2012 may vote at any District meeting or election.

VIII. District Residents List

A reproducible list of District residents of voting age and their place of residence shall be compiled and maintained by the District Clerk. This list shall at all times remain on District premises. The list shall be updated periodically and as conditions necessitate.

IX. Electioneering

No electioneering will be allowed within one hundred (100) feet of the polling place.

X. Expiration of Term

When a term of office expires at the end of a school year and the office has become vacant at the time of election, the person elected to fill the new full term vacancy also fills the remaining days of the previous term, beginning the term of office immediately upon election and the taking and filing of the oath of office.

Waterville Central School District

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