7.4 Nominations for Members of the Section Board of Trustees

7.4.1 A seven-member Nominating Committee shall consist of the Nominating Committee Chair, elected to office by the vote of membership in the prior year, the two most immediate past-chairs, two appointees made by the immediate past chair during his term of office as Chair, and two appointees made by the current chair, all of whom shall be members in good standing of both AWWA and WEF, and whose appointment shall be confirmed by the Board of Trustees. The Chair shall make appointments to fill vacancies that may occur from any cause.

7.4.2 The Nominating Committee shall conduct the nomination and election process for the following members of the Section Board of Trustees: chair, vice-chair, and chair-elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and for vacancies as they occur for AWWA Director, WEF Delegate; Public Water Operator Representative, Public Wastewater Operator Representative and at-large-trustees; and the Nominating Committee Chair. The vacancies for which nominees are being solicited and a description of the nomination process requirements shall be advertised to the membership for a period of not less than 90 days prior to the date on which the Nominating Committee convenes for the purpose of selecting a slate of candidates.

7.4.3 The AWWA Director shall be nominated and elected in accordance with the Bylaws of the AWWA. The AWWA Director serves a 3 year term. An AWWA Director-Elect shall be selected in the year prior to the expiration of the incumbent AWWA Director’s term.

7.4.4 The Section Delegate to the WEF House of Delegates shall be nominated and elected in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws and governing documents of WEF. Section Delegates serve 3 year terms in the WEF House of Delegates, with a Delegate-Elect elected two years out of every three.

7.4.5 No member of the Nominating Committee shall be nominated for an office of the Section during the time that the individual is a member of the Committee.

7.4.6 It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to obtain the consent of the nominees and to verify membership status before placing a person’s name in the nomination. The Nominating Committee shall consider the Association’s commitment to diversity and the involvement of young professionals in nominating members for the Section Board of Trustees. The affirmative vote of a least four members of the Nominating Committee shall be required for any nomination.

7.4.7 At least twelve weeks before the annual meeting of the Section, the Nominating Committee shall notify the Secretary of at least one eligible candidate for each of the offices to be filled and thereby place their names in nomination for those offices for which they have been nominated. The Secretary shall be responsible for notifying the Executive Director and shall ensure that a list of the nominees for each office is made available to the membership on the Section’s web site where it shall be posted for at least six weeks prior to the annual meeting of the Section.

7.5 Election of Members of the Section Board of Trustees

7.5.1 All members of the Section in good standing, including multi-Section members, are eligible to vote in an election for members of the Section Board of Trustees.

7.5.2 An electronic ballot shall be prepared by staff, listing the nominees for each office and providing a blank line for each office to permit the members to write-in an alternate
candidate, and the ballot shall be reviewed and approved by the Chair of the Nominating Committee.

7.5.3 The electronic voting method shall be designed to ensure that only members receive the ballot, and that no member may vote more than once for any candidate.

7.5.4 The staff shall transmit the approved ballot by email to those who are members of WEF or AWWA. Members shall then vote electronically by a date certain, which shall be established annually by the Nominating Committee, with that date being not less than 4 weeks after the publication of the slate of nominees on the Association’s website.

7.5.5 Within 5 days of the close of voting, the staff shall prepare and submit to the Nominating Committee Chair, a report tallying the results of the electronic vote.

7.5.6 The Chair of the Nominating Committee shall then announce the outcome of the election at the annual Business Meeting.

7.6 Terms of Office for Section Board of Trustees

7.6.1 The AWWA Director shall be elected for a term of three years or as otherwise required by the Bylaws of the AWWA. The AWWA Director shall take office immediately following the AWWA Annual Meeting at which he/she is installed. The AWWA Director shall not be eligible to succeed him or herself. If there is an AWWA Director Elect, he/she shall serve in this position until he/she takes office as AWWA Director and during this time, he/she shall have the same rights and responsibilities of any other member of the Board of Trustees.

7.6.2 The term of the Chair, Chair-Elect; Vice-Chair, and Past Chair shall be one (1) year. These terms shall commence following the turning over of the gavel of office during the Section annual meeting at which they are elected or succeed to office, and shall terminate at the turning over of the gavel of office of the Annual Meeting at which their term expires. No Chair, Chair-Elect; or Vice-Chair shall be eligible to succeed him or herself.

7.6.3 The term of office of a trustee-at-large shall be two years, with two trustees elected each year. No trustee shall be eligible to succeed him or herself.

7.6.4 The term of office for each WEF Delegate shall be three years. If there is a WEF Delegate-Elect, he/she shall serve in this position until he/she takes office as WEF Delegate and during this time, he/she shall have the same rights and responsibilities of any other member of the Board of Trustees. No WEF delegate shall be eligible to succeed him or herself.

7.6.5 The term of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be one year, and each shall be eligible to serve no more than one additional year if re-elected by the vote of the membership.
6.6 NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERS OF THE NC WEA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

6.6.1 A seven-member Nominating Committee shall consist of the Nominating Committee Chair, elected to office by the vote of membership in the prior year, the two most immediate past-chairs, two appointees made by the immediate past chair during his term of office as Chair, and two appointees made by the current chair, all of whom shall be members in good standing of both AWWA and WEF, and whose appointment shall be confirmed by the Board of Trustees. The Chair shall make appointments to fill vacancies that may occur from any cause.

6.6.2 The Nominating Committee shall conduct the nomination and election process for the following members of the NC WEA Board of Trustees: chair, vice-chair, and chair-elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and for vacancies as they occur for AWWA Director, WEF Delegate; Public Water Operator Representative, Public Wastewater Operator Representative and at-large trustees; and the Nominating Committee Chair. The vacancies for which nominees are being solicited and a description of the nomination process requirements shall be advertised to the membership for a period of not less than 90 days prior to the date on which the Nominating Committee convenes for the purpose of selecting a slate of candidates.

6.6.3 The AWWA Director shall be nominated and elected in accordance with the Bylaws of the AWWA. The AWWA Director serves a 3 year term. An AWWA Director-Elect shall be selected in the year prior to the expiration of the incumbent AWWA Director’s term, beginning in 2011.

6.6.4 The NC WEA Delegate to the WEF House of Delegates shall be nominated and elected in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws and governing documents of WEF. NC WEA Delegates serve 3 year terms in the WEF House of Delegates, with a Delegate-Elect elected two years out of every three, beginning in 2010.

6.6.5 No member of the Nominating Committee shall be nominated for an office of NC WEA during the time that the individual is a member of the Committee.

6.6.6 It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to obtain the consent of the nominees and to verify membership status before placing a person’s name in the nomination. The Nominating Committee shall consider the Association’s commitment to diversity and the involvement of young professionals in nominating members for the NC WEA Board of Trustees. The affirmative vote of a least four members of the Nominating Committee shall be required for any nomination.

6.6.7 At least twelve weeks before the annual meeting of the NC WEA, the Nominating Committee shall notify the Secretary of at least one eligible candidate for each of the offices to be filled and thereby place their names in nomination for those offices for which they have been nominated. The Secretary shall be responsible for notifying the Executive Director and shall ensure that a list of the nominees for each office is made available to the membership on the NC WEA’s web site where it shall be posted for at least six weeks prior to the annual meeting of the NC WEA.

6.7 ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE NC WEA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

6.7.1 All members of NC WEA in good standing, including multi-section NC WEA members, are eligible to vote in an election for members of the NC WEA Board of Trustees.

6.7.2 An electronic ballot shall be prepared by staff, listing the nominees for each office and providing a blank line for each office to permit the members to write-in an alternate
candidate, and the ballot shall be reviewed and approved by the Chair of the Nominating Committee.

6.7.3 The electronic voting method shall be designed to ensure that only members receive the ballot, and that no member may vote more than once for any candidate.

6.7.4 The staff shall transmit the approved ballot by email to those who are members of WEF or AWWA. Members shall then vote electronically by a date certain, which shall be established annually by the Nominating Committee, with that date being not less than 4 weeks after the publication of the slate of nominees on the Association’s web site.

6.7.5 Within 5 days of the close of voting, the staff shall prepare and submit to the Nominating Committee Chair, a report tallying the results of the electronic vote.