

**SNA of Massachusetts
House of Delegates
August 15, 2012**

Call to Order

The 2012 meeting of the House of Delegates was held at the Royal Plaza Hotel in Marlborough.

The Annual Meeting of SNA of Mass. was called to order by the President, Jane McLucas, at 4:05 p.m.

President-Elect Judy White called the meeting of the House of Delegates to order at 4:20 p.m. Vice President Kristin Morello checked the roll and a quorum was established with the following 2012-2013 House of Delegate members in attendance:

Jane McLucas, Judy White, Kristin Morello, Catherine Donovan, Gail Koutroubas, Diane Zak, Ann Marie Beaupre, Mary Leslie, Jeanne Sheridan, Bonnie Kitsakos, April Laskey, Dawn LaVallee, Ed Gilbert, Mary Palen, David Nichols, Lynn Petrowski, Janice Watt, Lauren Mancini, Sylvana Bryan, Melody Gustafson, Janice King, Joanne Lennon, Jacqueline Morgan, Joanne Morrissey, and Sheila Parisien. Also in attendance were ex-officio members Katie Millett and Susan Sacks.

Lynn Petrowski moved to approve the minutes from the 2011 meeting, the agenda for the current meetings, and the HOD procedures and standing rules. Jackie Morgan seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Kristin Morello read the proposed bylaw changes (see attached). April Laskey moved to accept the proposed changes. David Nichols seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

PROPOSED NEW LANGUAGE

ARTICLE IV, SECTION B (DUTIES)

Each Chapter shall have a Chapter Delegate-Elect elected as herein provided..... If a Delegate is unable to complete her or his term of office, the Executive Board shall appoint an Interim Delegate to complete the vacant term. Primary consideration for this appointment will be given to a former Board member and/or former Delegate or Delegate-Elect. In any case, the appointee must have been a member of SNA of Massachusetts for one (1) year immediately preceding the appointment.

ARTICLE VI, SECTION F (VACANCIES)

a. **Delegate:** If a Delegate is unable to complete her or his term of office, the Executive Board shall appoint an Interim Delegate to complete the vacant term. Primary consideration for this appointment will be given to a former Board member and/or former Delegate or Delegate-Elect. In any case, the appointee must have been a member of SNA of Massachusetts for one (1) year immediately preceding the appointment.

b. **Delegate-Elect:** **Delete current language and substitute the following:** If a Delegate-Elect is unable to complete her or his term of office the Executive Board shall appoint a Delegate-Elect to complete the vacant term and succeed as Delegate in the following year. The appointee must have been a member of SNA of Massachusetts for one (1) year immediately preceding the appointment.

CURRENT LANGUAGE

ARTICLE IV, SECTION B (DUTIES)

Each Chapter shall have a Chapter Delegate-Elect elected as herein provided..... If a Delegate is unable to complete her or his term of office, the Delegate-Elect shall succeed to the office of Delegate. She or he will complete the remainder of the vacated term and then will be duly installed for the actual term for which she or he was originally elected. The Executive Board may decide to appoint an Interim Delegate-Elect to assume the duties of the vacant Delegate-Elect position until the new Delegate-Elect takes office.

ARTICLE VI, SECT. F (VACANCIES)

6. **Delegate:** If a Delegate is unable to complete her or his term of office, the Delegate-Elect shall succeed to the office of Delegate. She or he will complete the remainder of the vacated term and then will be duly installed for the actual term for which she or he was originally elected. The Executive Board may decide to appoint an Interim Delegate-Elect to assume the duties of the vacant Delegate-Elect position until the new Delegate-Elect takes office.

7. **Delegate-Elect:** (a) If a Delegate-Elect is required to fill a vacated Delegate position, the Delegate-Elect position will remain vacant until the next regularly elected Delegate-Elect takes office. The Executive Board may decide to appoint an Interim Delegate-Elect to assume the duties of the vacant Delegate-Elect position until the new Delegate-Elect takes office. (b) If a Delegate-Elect is unable to complete her or his term of office for any other reason, and a regular election has been held, then the incoming Delegate-Elect will immediately assume the office of Delegate-Elect and serve through the remainder of the vacant term, at the end of which she or he will succeed to the position of Delegate. In addition, a special election will be held in accordance with Article VII, Section E to elect a Delegate-Elect to assume office at the beginning of the next term. (c) If a Delegate-Elect is unable to complete her or his term of office or is required to fill a vacated Delegate position, and a regular election has not been held, then a special election will be held to elect an individual to fill the remainder of the vacant term, at the end of which she or he will succeed to the position of Delegate. The next Delegate-Elect will be elected at the next regular election.