

February 15, 2024

Below is an explanation of the changes the 2024 Board of Officers is proposing to the SBWGA-18 By-Laws:

1. ARTICLE VII - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS, Section E

a. CURRENT:

Any member may nominate any other member by filing a written notice of such nomination with the President, together with the nominee's written consent, at any time prior to the election meeting."

b. PROPOSED:

Any member may nominate any other member by filing a written notice of such nomination with the President, together with the nominee's written consent, at ~~any time~~ **least two weeks** prior to the election meeting."

PURPOSE OF PROPOSED CHANGE:

Should an additional candidate or candidates be nominated for election, sufficient time should be allowed for the membership to review the candidates and for the board to prepare for the election.

2. ARTICLE VII - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS, Section G

a. CURRENT:

The election of officers shall be by ballot unless a single slate has been nominated.

b. PROPOSED

The election of officers shall be by ballot unless a single slate has been nominated. **When a single slate is nominated, election by unanimous consent or acclamation is permitted.**

PURPOSE OF PROPOSED CHANGE:

The process of acclamation is used when there is only one nominee for each position, creating an uncontested election. The outcome of the election is known, and the president declares the full slate be elected by acclamation. If there is more than one nominee for any position, a vote will be held for all positions.