NALC election ballots set to be mailed

The National Election Committee, appointed at the Detroit National Convention to conduct the election of national officers for NALC, met on Aug. 13 in Washington, DC, to set the rules and procedures for the contested national and regional elections, as laid out in the NALC Constitution. It also conducted the random drawing to determine the order of the names as they will appear on the ballot for each office.

Candidates for 12 of the 15 national business agent positions were unopposed and elected by consent at the Detroit convention. Two candidates were nominated from the floor for each of the following positions: president, executive vice president, vice president, secretary-treasurer, assistant secretary-treasurer, director of city delivery, director of safety and health, director of life insurance, director of health benefits, director of retired members, and NBAs for Regions 2, 4 and 9. Five candidates were nominated from the floor for three national trustee positions.

The election will be conducted by mail ballot in accordance with the NALC Constitution. The Election Committee has retained the services of Hartfield Resolution Group of St. Clair Shores, MI, to assist the committee in supervising the conduct of the election. The committee has also retained Mosaic, a print communications company located in Cheverly, MD, to prepare and mail the ballots.

The committee has reviewed and approved all nominating forms and will create the ballot for mailing. Official election instructions will be included with all ballots mailed to eligible NALC members.

To be eligible to vote, a person must be a regular member of NALC and in good standing as of June 1, 2018. National business agents will be elected by the members in their respective regions.

Beginning on Aug. 27 and continuing until completion, components of the election mailing will be printed. Starting on Sept. 4 and continuing through Sept. 14, ballots will be prepared, inserted and mailed.

As noted on the NALC website, any active or retired member who does not receive a ballot by Friday, Sept. 21, is instructed that he or she must notify his or her branch officers. Those branches are instructed to immediately contact the NALC Membership Department to request a duplicate, replacement ballot.

The deadline for branch officers to contact the Membership Department is 4 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, Sept. 24. Only a branch officer can request a duplicate ballot.

Ballots must be received by 9 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 4, to be counted. The counting of ballots will begin that day.

Nominees who will appear on the ballot (in the order that they will appear on the ballot) are:

**President**
- Fredric Rolando, Sarasota, FL Br. 2148
- David Noble, Washington, DC Br. 142

**Executive Vice President**
- Brian Renfroe, Hattiesburg, MS Br. 938
- Rachael Elmore, Freehold, NJ Br. 924

**Vice President**
- Lew Drass, Huntsville, AL Br. 462
- Sara Gresham, Newport News, VA Br. 609

**Secretary-Treasurer**
- Jerry Kerner Jr., Baltimore, MD Br. 176
- Nicole Rhine, Lincoln, NE Br. 8

**Assistant Secretary-Treasurer**
- Paul Barner, Roswell, GA Br. 4862
- Kathryn R. Myers, Billings, MT Br. 815

**Director of City Delivery**
- Christopher Jackson, Garden Grove, CA Br. 1100
- Thomas A. Houff, Richmond, VA Br. 496

**Director, Safety and Health**
- Manuel L. Peralta Jr., Garden Grove, CA Br. 1100
- Douglas L. Peters II, Lansing, MI Br. 122

**Director of Life Insurance**
- Alan Nagata, Salt Lake City, UT Br. 111
- James W. Yates, Long Island Merged, NY Br. 6000

**Director, Health Benefit Plan**
- Robert R. Brunette, Sheboygan, WI Br. 102
- Stephanie Stewart, Central Iowa Mgd. Br. 352

**Director, Retired Members**
- Daniel Toth, Lorain, OH Br. 583
- Thomas E. Fath, Decatur, IL Br. 317

**National Trustees (three positions)**
- Lawrence D. Brown Jr., Los Angeles, CA Br. 24
- Michael Gill, South Florida Br. 1071
- Carol E. Paxton, New Orleans, LA Br. 124
- Rolando Rodriguez, Anderson, IN Br. 489
- Mack I. Julion, Chicago Br. 11

**Region 2 NBA**
- Michael Wahquist, Salt Lake City, UT Br. 111
- Nick Vafiades, Longview, WA Br. 2214

**Region 4 NBA**
- Dan Versluis, Tucson, AZ Br. 704
- Anita Lewallen, Conway, AR Br. 1592

**Region 9 NBA**
- Lynne Pendleton, Central Florida Br. 1091
- Kenneth R. Gibbs Jr., Brunswick, GA Br. 313

The Election Committee, as appointed by President Fredric Rolando, is made up of Garden Grove, CA Branch 1100’s Barbara Stickler (chairperson); Mike O’Neill, New Jersey Merged Branch 38; Rod Holub, Manhattan, KS Branch 1018; Delano Wilson, Silver Spring, MD Branch 2611; Antonia Shields, Birmingham, AL Branch 530; Paul Roznowski, Royal Oak, MI Branch 3126; Ethel Ford, Houston, TX Branch 283; Tom Dlugolenski, Syracuse, NY Branch 134; Margaret Parker, Aurora, IL Branch 219; and Brian Wiggins, Seattle, WA Branch 79. PR