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## Do You Wish to Run by Petition for the LibraryLinkNJ Executive Board?

## **Guidelines:**

- Read Article V, Section 1 Eligibility to Petition.
   Are you the current Voting Representative of your member library? This is a requirement in order to petition. The Voting Rep list is on our website.
- 2. Read Article IV, Section 2 below and follow the petition directions in sub-Section c.
- 3. Review the <u>proposed Board Slate</u> in the Membership Meeting online invitation and determine which candidate you intend to run against.
- 4. Petition Submission:
  - Email the petition as a pdf to Cheryl O'Connor, Executive Director, coconnor@librarylinkj.org.
  - Deadline to receive petition is Friday, May 8, 5 pm.
  - It is the sender's responsibility to check that the petition is received.
  - You are welcome to call the office at 732-752-7720 to confirm receipt.
- 5. Petition Posting: If a petition is received, LibraryLinkNJ will post and promote the revised slate on Monday, May 11, by 10am.
- 6. Election: On May 18, Voting Representatives present at Rowan, Rutgers and William Paterson Universities or those represented by proxy will elect by public ballot the required number of FY16 Board Representatives.

PETITION information in LibraryLinkNJ Bylaws, rev.12/5/13 LibraryLinkNJ Bylaws can be viewed below.

## LibraryLinkNJ Bylaws

ARTICLE IV – ELECTIONS

Section 2. Board Nominating Committee Duties

The Board Nominating Committee will present the membership with a slate of candidates for election to the Executive Board.

- a. The slate will include the appropriate number of eligible candidates to the Executive Board to serve three-year terms as prescribed by the expiring terms.
- b. The slate will be presented to the membership no later than three (3) weeks before the
- c. Members who are eligible to serve on the Executive Board and are not part of the slate may indicate their intention to stand for election by petition.
  - i. The petition will state the name, credentials and eligibility of the candidate, and the position for which the candidate would like to be considered.
  - ii. The petition must be signed by 15 voting members of LibraryLinkNJ and must be submitted to the Executive Director no later than one (1) week before the election.
  - iii. If any of the above requirements are not met, the petition will be invalid.
  - iv. The membership will be notified of petition candidates no later than two (2) days before the election.

## ARTICLE V - THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. Number, Composition and Eligibility

The one-year Transition Executive Board consists of sixteen members representing the Executive Boards of the four previous Regional Library Cooperatives. Commencing FY12, the Executive Board shall consist of fifteen members, elected from the general membership with a balanced representation statewide as follows:

- a. Two lay representatives, neither of which may be a librarian or retired librarian.
- b. One representative each from an academic, school district, public, special, and institutional library, each of which will be the designated LibraryLinkNJ Voting Representative for his/her institution prior to election.
- c. Eight members-at-large, each of which will be the designated LibraryLinkNJ Voting Representative for his/her institution prior to election.
- d. Four Library Network Review Board (LNRB) members who serve ex officio.