

July 9, 2021

In accordance with the 2021 election voting period, the ASALH Nominating Committee would like to advise the EC of the processes in use and provide assurance of their integrity. ASALH has availed itself to innovative technologies to effect control measures which heighten our election's security that go beyond a reliance on visible numbering. The two-tier measure includes the use of independent vendors who use advanced security protocols to ensure that the autonomy of our members is preserved during the voting period. The process outlined and modes of distribution are in use for this election and will be used going forward by recommendation of the Committee. While some of the methods enumerated were already in place prior to the 2021 election, we deem it necessary to elucidate on the standing practices and the measures taken to preserve the autonomy of our membership body.

In support of the high regard and solemnity that ASALH holds for the voices and votes of its membership, the ASALH office in accordance with the protocols in place and the recommendation of the Nominating Committee, has ceased to hold any form of Ballot in its offices (headquarters nor satellite).

We further wish you to be aware of the following:

No Ballots are held or emailed from the ASALH offices (headquarters nor satellite).

1. All paper ballots are mailed by a printing fulfillment company located in Rockville, MD.
2. No envelopes will have membership numbers in order to maintain voter anonymity.
3. Electronic voting is being conducted, collected, and count controlled by Election Runner located in Mansfield, Texas. Results of the electronic vote will be made available to the Nominating Committee after the election officially closes on July 31st at 11:59 PM in accordance with our constitution.
4. In accordance with Article 5 of the ASALH Constitution by the **last Friday in August** the Nominating Committee will notify of the election results in the following order:
 - i. Nominees
 - ii. Executive Council
 - iii. General Membership

Please be advised that results of the electronic voting will be tabulated along with paper ballots during the month of August in preparation for meeting the constitutional deadline and sequence. The nominating committee will strictly adhere to the letter of the constitution when delivering election results.

Respectfully Submitted,
The ASALH Nominating Committee
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Sis. Anita Shepherd, Member
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