2022 Elections

MTA STANDING RULE 1, SECTION 2

...The (Credentials and Ballot) Committee shall be responsible for the conduct of the annual elections held at the Annual Meeting of Delegates...

ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD VIA HANDHELD DEVICES WITHIN THE BUSINESS SESSION AND ONLINE FOR DELEGATES PARTICIPATING REMOTELY. THE ELECTIONS WILL TAKE PLACE at 11 AM ON SATURDAY, AFTER ACTION ON THE BUDGET. IF ACTION ON THE BUDGET GOES BEYOND 11 AM, ELECTIONS WILL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARD.

THE FOLLOWING ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD AT THE 2022 ANNUAL MEETING OF DELEGATES

MTA President	Statewide	1 Vacancy	3 Candidates
MTA Vice President	Statewide	1 Vacancy	2 Candidates
Board of Directors	District		
	12F	1 Vacancy	2 Candidates
	17G	1 Vacancy	2 Candidates
	48H	1 Vacancy	2 Candidates
	Retired BOD	2 Vacancies	3 Candidates
Retired Members Committee (Statewide Retired District)		4 Vacancies	6 Candidates

IMPORTANT: All Delegates will take part in the election of statewide officers – President and Vice President. Only the above listed districts (12F, 17G, 48H, and Retired) will take part in the elections that follow. All delegates (in-person and remote) will see these elections on their voting screens, but only the delegates representing these districts will have the ability to vote. Remember that your specific district is listed on your delegate badge.

UNCONTESTED ELECTIONS

Candidates who ran uncontested were declared elected in accordance with the election waiver provision of the bylaws for the following seats: Executive Committee, Regions D, E, and H; Board of Directors, Districts 10B, 33C, 41C, 29D, 40E, 16G, 20G, 45H and 49H.

CANDIDATE NAMES

Refer to the list of certified candidates, available online, to view the names of those in contested races and those elected under the waiver.

CANDIDATE SPEECHES – FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2022

Candidates seeking election for the seats listed below are each entitled to up to three (3) minutes to speak to the delegates from his or her electoral constituency on Friday at the following times and locations.

10 a.m.	Board Seats, Statewide Retired District and Retired Members Committee	Hynes Room 302, 3rd Floor
Last Item prior to recess	President and Vice President	Hynes Ballroom, Hall D and online
Immediately after recess Immediately after recess Immediately after recess	Board Seat, District 12F Board Seat, District 17G Board Seat, District 48H	Hynes 3rd Floor, Room TBA Hynes 3rd Floor, Room TBA Hynes 3rd Floor, Room TBA

Candidate Speeches Online

In addition to the above onsite speeches, all candidates were given the option of providing a recorded speech for posting on the MTA's Annual Meeting webpage. We encourage all delegates, in particular those unable to hear the speeches at the above times and locations, to review the speeches of candidates online at *massteacher.org/annualmeeting*.

ELECTION SCHEDULE – SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022

The elections are scheduled to start at 11 a.m. on Saturday, after action on the proposed budget and will take place within the business session (in-person and virtual). If action on the budget goes beyond 11 a.m., elections will begin immediately afterward. Each contested race will be conducted in succession at that time, with each race open for a specified time (as announced from the podium) during which voting is open. (Note: there will not be a separate voting room onsite this year; rather the elections will be conducted within the business session.)

Election results will be announced from the podium by the co-chairs of the Credentials and Ballot Committee, as soon as they are available, after the lunch break on Saturday afternoon.

In the event a runoff election is necessary, this fact and the accompanying schedule will be announced from the podium at the time the election results are presented. Any necessary runoff elections will be held within the business session, before the conclusion of the meeting on Saturday afternoon, in the same manner as the main election.

VOTING IN THE ELECTIONS

Onsite in-person delegates who have completed the registration process will have a unique voting keycard and should insert the keycard into a handheld keypad device available at the entrance to the business session. The keycard and keypad device are necessary for all voting, including the elections.

The elections will take place as part of the business session, not in a separate voting room, as indicated above. At that point, one at a time, each contested race and its candidates will appear on the voting screen. Each race will be open for a specified time period, as announced from the podium.

To make selection and cast your vote, you can either press the number/letter that that corresponds to a candidate name or use the trackball to scroll through the list of candidates and press the trackball to select candidates. When the name is selected, the keypad shows an X in the box beside the selected

candidate name. When selection is made, press the green send button to submit that ballot. The keypad will confirm which candidates were submitted.

MULTI-SEAT ELECTIONS: For the Statewide Retired Board seats, up to two candidates may be selected, and for the Retired Members Committee, up to four candidates may be selected before clicking the green button to submit. Remember to scroll down to view all candidates and review your selections before submitting.

For those delegates participating remotely, the elections will show on your meeting screen as each election is launched. Follow the onscreen instructions to submit your votes.

The order of the elections will be as follows: MTA President, MTA Vice President, 12F District Director, 17G District Director, 48H District Director, Statewide Retired District Director (2 seats), and Retired Members Committee (4 seats).

All Delegates will take part in the election of statewide officers, President and Vice President. After voting in those races has concluded, only delegates in districts 12F, 17G, 48H, and Retired will take part in the elections that follow. Remember that your specific district is listed on your delegate badge. Of course, do not vote in races for districts other than your own, but if you attempt to do so, an error will appear on your screen alerting you that you are not eligible for voting in that race.

In-person delegates must have completed the onsite credentialing process in the registration room (304-306) prior to voting, as the unique delegate keycard is required. The registration room will remain open until the conclusion of the elections, but be sure to allow enough time to obtain both credentials and the keypad device by the time the elections begin.

ELECTION REQUIREMENTS

According to the *MTA Standing Rules, RULE 9: Nominations and Elections, <u>Section 2.</u> Elections: (a) Election shall be held at the Meeting(s) of Delegates on the day when the final business session takes place.*

(b) Polls for voting shall be open on Election Day for a specified time designated in the call to the Meeting(s) of Delegates at such place or places as the President shall designate.

(c) Retired Members Committee members shall be elected at the Annual Meeting of Delegates by the Statewide Retired District delegates. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.

(d) In the event of a tie vote by two (2) or more candidates in an election, a runoff election will be held between or among the tied candidates to fill the available seats.

(e) The order of candidates' names on a runoff election ballot for majority and plurality elections will be listed by the same order as the initial ballot.

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After the conclusion of the voting for President and Vice President, only delegates from the following districts will participate in the voting that follows:

12F, 17G, 48H, and Retired.