## **Alternative Nomination Process for President and Vice President**

ARTICLE VII, Section 2B(2) of the MTA Bylaws provides for an alternative nomination process for President and Vice President at the Annual Meeting of Delegates:

a. Nomination papers may be obtained at the Annual Meeting from the Executive Director-Treasurer.

b. Nomination papers must be signed by 200 of the registered delegates with the same limitations as described in Section 2B(1)b of the MTA Bylaws.

c. Nomination papers must be filed with the Credentials and Ballot Committee prior to the close of the first business session.

d. The committee will certify that the nomination papers comply with the requirements in Sections 2B(1)b, 2B(2)b, and 2B(2)c of the MTA Bylaws. Upon certification, the candidate's name will be placed on the Ballot for the office sought.

Process modified as necessary by the Board of Directors for 2024 due to the Meeting's hybrid format:

The candidate(s) who have not previously filed papers may obtain nomination papers from the Executive Director-Treasurer or his designee at the podium after the opening of the first business session of the Annual Meeting of Delegates.

The candidate(s) must then file the nomination papers with the Chair of the Credentials and Ballot Committee through the podium assistant at the podium prior to the close of the Annual Meeting of Delegates.

The Credential and Ballot Committee will process the nomination papers for certification in accordance with the established procedure and will certify the papers if they are in compliance with the MTA Bylaws.

As the last item of business prior to the close of the first business session, the chair of the Credentials and Ballot Committee will present a supplementary (amended) report of the Committee by reading into the record the names of those who have requested nomination papers for President and/or Vice President.

The Credentials and Ballot Committee will assure that the names of all certified candidates for President and/or Vice President will appear on the Ballots. Sufficient space will be available on the Ballot to allow for the names of certified additional candidates under the supervision of the Committee.

For 2024, members seeking candidacy by this alternative nomination method will be provided with paper sheets as well as an electronic/online signature form (online link) which may be shared with potential signers. All of the above stipulations apply, including the provision that only signatures by registered 2024 Annual Meeting delegates will count. The electronic form will contain fields to collect the same information from signers as the traditional paper form: Name, Member ID/Last 4 Digits of Social, Local Assn Name, Region/District, and Signature. The form will allow for an electronic signature, signed either by finger on a touchscreen/phone/tablet or by using a mouse on a non-touchscreen computer.

Nomination papers are due back to MTA by 5:15 pm on Friday, April 26, 2024.

Signatures on physical papers may be filed at the podium no later than 5:15 pm on Friday, April 26. Signatures collected electronically are automatically transmitted to MTA by 5:15 pm.

Members seeking candidacy by this alternative nomination method will be given the opportunity to address the delegates during speeches from presidential and vice presidential candidates on Friday only if at least 200 signatures were submitted for C&B review prior to the above deadline. If less than 200 signatures were submitted, the opportunity to give a speech will not be provided.