



Rules of the New Caucus Hybrid Nominating Convention **Saturday, November 18, 2023**

Rules regarding Nominations from the Floor

The convention will conduct nominations, statements, voting and announcements of results one office at a time. Individuals who are voting members of the convention can nominate a New Caucus member in good standing from the floor for the office under discussion. Self nominations are also in order. The nomination must be seconded for it to be considered. After taking any additional nominations for each office, nominations will be closed.

Nominee's Forum

All nominees for all slate positions will have the opportunity to make a candidate statement. Nominees for the top four (4) offices, President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer will each have a total of three (3) minutes to divide between themselves and the person nominating them, or the nominee may speak for the whole time. The rest of the nominees have a total of two (2) minutes to be divided by themselves and their nominators, or they may take the whole time themselves. There will be no speeches from AFT, NYSUT or AAUP delegate candidates.

Speeches will be timed, and we ask that you observe the time limits. If there needs to be additional rounds of voting because of a tie, individuals who have been nominated may remove themselves from consideration.

Balloting and Voting Tabulation

After all nominations from the floor have been received, and nominees or nominators have spoken, voting members of the convention will be given a ballot for that particular office.

In-person voting: On the ballot, you will write in the name(s) of the candidate(s) that you have selected for this office. **You must write the first and last names of the candidate.** The ballots will be collected and counted by individuals designated by the New Caucus Coordinating Committee, aka the NC Counting Team.

Electronic voting: Balloting will be conducted using the Zoom poll feature. Eligible voters will place a check mark on the electronic ballot (eballot) next to the name of the candidate(s) of their choice and click the "Submit" button. The eballots will be tallied by Zoom and results shared with the NC Counting Team.

The NC Counting Team will certify the election results for each officer position and as soon as the counting is completed the results will be announced. In the event of a tie, another round of voting will take place. Rounds of voting will take place until there is a clear winner before moving to the next officer position on the slate.

Rules regarding Voting for Principal Officers, Vice Presidents, Officers of each constituency, University-wide officers, Retiree officers, NYSUT delegates, AFT delegates, and AAUP delegates

Principal Officers

There will be individual nominations and voting for President, First Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. **Vote for one (1) each.**

Vice Presidents of Constituent Groups

There will be individual nominations and voting for the Vice-Presidents of each constituency; senior colleges, community colleges, part time officers, and cross campus officers and retirees. **Vote for one** (1) each.

Officers of Constituent Groups

We will vote for each group of officers (directly after the VP for that constituency) one at a time representing the Constituent Groups in the order in which they are listed above. You will **vote for no more than three** (3) of the officers in all categories except retirees.

In-person voting: You must write the first and last names of the three nominees that you have selected; for example, you may write on your ballot the three nominees recommended by the Governing Board, or any combination of individuals from the group of people who have been nominated.

Electronic voting: You will place a check mark on the eballot next to the name of the three nominees that you have selected and click the “Submit” button; for example, you may check off on the eballot the three nominees recommended by the Governing Board, or any combination of individuals from the group of people who have been nominated.

The three people who receive the highest total of votes will be declared the winners. If there is a tie for one or more of these positions, another round of balloting will take place until there is a clear winner.

University-wide Officers

The same rules of voting apply to the University-wide Officers. Voting members at the convention will **vote for no more than five** (5) University-wide Officers among the individuals who have been nominated for these positions. If there is a tied vote for one or more of these positions, there will be another round of voting.

Retiree Officers

There is no VP of retiree officers. Retirees have two officers serving on the Executive Council.

The same rules of voting apply to the Retiree Officers. Voting members at the convention will **vote for no more than two** (2) of the people nominated for these positions. If there is a tie, there will be additional rounds of balloting until there is a winner.

NYSUT and AFT Delegates

The same rules of voting apply to the AFT and NYSUT Delegates. Voting members at the convention will **vote for no more than 100** delegates for these positions. If there is a tie, there will be additional rounds of balloting until there is a winner.

AAUP Delegates

The same rules of voting apply to the AAUP Delegates. Voting members at the convention will **vote for no more than four** (4) delegates for these positions. If there is a tie, there will be additional rounds of balloting until there is a winner.

Campaigning

Campaigning is permitted from the convention floor and prior to the nomination convention. The New Caucus Membership List will be made available for declared candidates for election purposes and building the membership. Please see the NC bylaws for additional policy details. To request a New Caucus Membership List, submit the webform located at <https://newcaucus.wordpress.com/donate-to-the-campaign/membership-list-request/> or submit the PDF form to psccunynewcaucus@gmail.com.