

Regional Representatives – Twelve (12) Regional Representatives, plus one additional Representative to represent the Metro Detroit private and non-public schools (Region 13) and one additional Representative to represent the Junior High/Middle Schools (Region 14), are to be elected for a two-year term. These Representatives may succeed themselves in office. Regions 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, and 13 Representatives are to be elected in odd numbered years. Regions 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, and 14 Representatives are to be elected in even numbered years. These elections are to take place at the Regional Caucus meeting. In the event that the annual conference is postponed, this vote may occur by alternate means with Executive Board approval.

In order to become a candidate for the position of Regional Representative an individual must have been an active member of MIAAA for at least one year prior to the election at the annual meeting. Individuals wishing to become a candidate for the position of Regional Representative must notify the President in writing by March 1. The elections will take place at the Regional Caucus meeting. In the event that the annual conference is postponed, this vote may occur by alternate means with Executive Board approval. The individual receiving the majority of the absentee votes and the votes cast at the Regional Caucus meeting shall be declared the winner. If no candidate receives the majority of the votes cast, then the two top vote recipients shall contest for the position in a runoff election. The individual then receiving the most votes will be declared the winner. Those active members in attendance at the Caucus meeting of the MIAAA Region selecting the representative and those who have submitted validated absentee ballots shall be considered as eligible to vote. Ballots with the names of the candidates for the office of Regional Representative will be provided at the Caucus meeting for election purposes.

The Regional Representatives shall be a liaison between the members in their region and the Board of Directors. They shall attend Board of Directors meetings providing ideas and suggestions. They shall hold at least two (2) meetings per year, in their region, designed to encourage and support the purposes outlined in the constitution. They shall act as membership chairpersons for their respective regions.

They shall assist the officers in conducting the affairs of the Association. They are responsible for the Regional Caucus meetings at the annual meeting.

Alternate Regional Representatives – If there are only two candidates for the position of Regional Representative, the person with the fewer votes shall be declared the Alternate Regional Representative. If more than two candidates, the newly elected Regional Representative shall hold an election of those candidates not voted as Regional Representative. The candidate with the most votes will be declared the Alternate Regional Representative.

Alternate Regional Representatives are to assist the Regional Representatives in conducting the affairs of the region and in recruitment of members. They may be in attendance at Board of Directors meetings but vote only in the absence of the Regional Representative.