

## NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS 2016

**It's time to become involved in your professional association!**

**The following positions are open for nominations:**

*(for a description of roles and responsibilities, read NYSSCA's Bylaws, Governing Policies, Finance Policies and Nominations and Elections. All can be found on the lower right hand side of the [NYSSCA website main page](#))*

### **President-Elect-Elect**

(4 year term: President Elect-Elect, President-Elect, President, Past President)

### **VP Secondary School Counselors**

(2 year term)

### **VP Directors/Supervisors of School Counselors**

(2 year term)

### **Regional Governor**

(3 year term)

**Region 8:** Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, Yates Counties

**Region 9:** Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Niagara, Steuben, Wyoming Counties

**Region 10a:** Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, Richmond Counties

### **Eligibility:**

- a. **Be a *Regular* or *Retired* member** of NYSSCA (*Student* or *Associate* members are not eligible for elected office);
- b. **VPs** must be employed at the work setting level for which they seek office;
- c. **Regional governors** must be employed in the geographic region for which they seek office or be retired and residing within that region;
- d. **President-Elect-Elect** nominees must be employed as a school counselor, director/supervisor, counselor educator or comparable position in the school counseling profession as determined by the NYSSCA board. It is recommended they also will have held a previous board position, either elected or appointed.

*Please note:* all NYSSCA presidents must hold current membership in ASCA.

### **Nominations and Elections Process:**

- a. **The Nominations Committee**, chaired by the Past President, solicits nominations, reviews nomination packets and submits a list of those who meet eligibility to the Board.

- b. **Nomination packets** must be submitted by March 1<sup>st</sup> by all those interested in seeking office.
- c. **Ballots** are distributed to all NYSSCA members by electronic ballot no later than March 20<sup>th</sup>, due April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- d. **Election results** are confirmed with the Board by April 21<sup>st</sup> and the general membership informed by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Nomination Packet includes:** [\(submitted through an electronic submission form linked here\)](#)

- a. **Nomination information** includes candidate name, leadership position sought, relevant certifications, current job title, current employer, address, phone, and email and a nomination paragraph.
- b. **Nomination paragraph** (*limited to 150 words*) includes the candidate's reason for seeking the nomination to be included in the official ballot; should include how the candidate's election would benefit NYSSCA members and how the candidate's experience will enhance the work of the NYSSCA Board;
- c. **Resume** to attach to the ballot.
- d. **Photograph** for use on the ballot and for posting election results.

**Campaign Policies:**

- a. **NYSSCA will** distribute candidate information to all NYSSCA members as part of the ballot.
- b. **Candidate campaigning** should be kept to a minimum.
- c. **Candidates may** produce and distribute pins, fliers, brochures and other materials at their own expense.
- d. **Candidates cannot** accept campaign funds or support including in-kind support from associations, divisions, regions, schools, commercial firms, corporations or foundations.
- e. **Candidates cannot** use NYSSCA resources such as websites, list serves, logos, equipment or supplies to solicit votes or support.

*If you have any questions, please contact Gloria Jean, Past President and Nominations Committee Chair at [pastpresident@nyssca.org](mailto:pastpresident@nyssca.org)*