

**Election Procedures for
Voting for NACO Officers
2022 Election**

Pre-Election Process

- 1.) An email was sent on September 12, 2022 from the NACO Executive Director to County Board Chairs, County Clerks and the President of the NACO Panhandle District that will be nominating candidates for the incoming Secretary-Treasurer position on the NACO Board informing them that their district is in the district rotation that can nominate names for the position of NACO Secretary-Treasurer.
- 2.) The letter enclosed in this mailing from the NACO Executive Director to each County Board Chair member 30 days prior to election indicating that as per bylaws Article II Section 2. "Each voting member shall be entitled to one-vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members. Each vote shall be cast by the Chairperson of the County Board of Commissioners or Supervisors, as the case may be, or his designee. There shall be no votes cast by proxy."
- 3.) The form enclosed in this mailing from the NACO Executive Director will also accompany the letter, providing instructions for completion. If the Chairperson of the County Board of Commissioners or Supervisors plans to be in attendance, they should identify themselves as the person casting the ballot and they should identify a designee in the event the Chairperson of the County Board of Commissioners or Supervisors is unavailable to cast the ballot for their county.

This form must be returned to the NACO office by the Friday preceding the election at the annual conference. **Absence of the returned confirmation form will only allow the county board chair to cast the ballot in person for a county.**

- 4.) If a candidate has an intention to run for the position of NACO Secretary-Treasurer and they notify the NACO office in writing 10 days in advance of the conference, then their name will be included on a pre-printed ballot. The ballot will also include a line for write in candidates and nominations from the floor.
- 5.) The NACO President will appoint a nominating committee to present a list of candidates and a counting committee to count the ballots during the annual business meeting.

Election Day Process

- 1.) During the Business meeting, County Board Chair or designee will be asked to come forward and sign the voting register and cast the ballot.

- 2.) The initial ballot for officer positions will contain the current officers that will be nominated to advance to the next higher office, with a line for write-ins to be provided for any nominations from the floor.

- 3.) In the event that during the initial balloting, one candidate does not receive a majority of the votes (50% of eligible votes), then a second election will take place with the top 2 vote getters from the previous election advancing. In the event of a tie vote for the 2nd and 3rd positions, an election will be held to break the tie and then the top vote getter of that election will advance to run off against the initial leading candidate. The runoff elections will be conducted with an official ballot containing only 1 line for a write in candidate.

- 4.) The same rules apply as to who can cast a vote as in item 1.

- 5.) The current NACO President will preside over the election.