

From Your Board of Directors

In order to permit greater participation by the members in making nominations to facilitate the use of printed ballots and to expedite elections, the Board of Directors has adopted an amendment of the bylaws to provide for nomination by petition of candidates at the Annual Meeting.

The Nominating Committee was appointed by the Chairperson. Those serving are James Carringer, Dr. Royal Knight, and Ben Maharrey. The Committee will nominate one person for each vacancy.

Nominations for vacancies may also be made by petition signed by one percent of the members with a minimum of 20 and a maximum of 500. Petitions may be picked up at the Credit Union main office.

The election will not be conducted by ballot and there will be no nominations from the floor when there is only one nominee for each position to be filled. A brief statement of qualifications and biographical data in such form as shall be approved by the Board of Directors will be included for each nominee submitted by the Nominating Committee. Each nominee by petition shall submit a similar statement of qualifications and biographical data with the petition. Each nomination shall be accompanied by a signed certificate from the nominee stating that they are agreeable to nomination and will serve if elected to office. All nominations by petition must be received at the Credit Union main office no later than March 17, 2013.

All nominations are required to attend an orientation before their names are placed on the ballot. Please note the election procedures below.

Election Procedures

120 Days prior to the Annual Meeting, The Chairperson of the Board of Directors shall appoint a Nominating Committee of not fewer than three members. The Nominating Committee shall nominate at least one member for each vacancy, including any unexpired term vacancy on the Board of Directors. Appointments should be made no later than **December 27, 2012.**

90 Days prior to the Annual Meeting, the Nominating Committee shall file its nominations with the Secretary of the Credit Union. Report of the nominating committee should be made to the Secretary no later than **January 26, 2013.**

75 Days prior to the Annual Meeting, the Secretary shall notify in writing all members to vote that nominations for vacancies may also be made in petition signed by one percent of the members with a minimum of 20 and a maximum of 2500. Notice should be mailed not later than **February 10, 2013.**

40 days prior to the Annual Meeting, nominations by petition shall be filed with the Secretary of the Credit Union. Nominations by petition must be received no later than **March 17, 2013.**

35 days prior to the Annual Meeting, all nominations shall be posted in a conspicuous place in each Credit Union office. Nominations must be posted no later than **March 22, 2013.**

30 days prior to the Annual Meeting, all nominees will be required to attend an orientation conducted by the person selected by the Board of Directors. (Date and Time to be announced). Written ballots are required for all elections except when there is only one nominee for the Office. All elections shall be determined by plurality vote and there shall be no run off except in the case of a tie vote.

To be eligible to vote at the Annual Business Meeting, a person must have been a member on or before the last day of the month preceding the Annual Meeting. A person must have been a member by or on March 31, 2013.