TO: APA California Board of Directors
FROM: Julia Lave Johnston, Past President
DATE: September 23, 2021
SUBJECT: California Chapter 2021 Board Elections Report & Changes to Election Policies

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
That the Board adopt changes to the Elections Policies and Procedures to update the process used to form the nominating committee.

BACKGROUND:

The Candidate Slate
The state board emphasized the need for a candidate slate that would increase the diversity on the board. We had a very geographically balanced slate of qualified candidates with the majority of candidates representing a group that is currently underrepresented on the State Board.

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Please note that Patrick Sauls withdrew his name shortly before voting went live.

Nominating Committee
Each section director was asked to nominate someone from their Section to participate on the Nominating Committee.

Nominating Committee 2021
Chair: Julia Lave Johnston, Past President, Sacramento Valley Section
Members:
• Kacey Lizon, Director Elect, Sacramento Valley Section
• Rachel Raynor, Director, Central Coast Section
• Tara Lake, Director, San Diego Section
• Jenna Chillingerian, Director Membership and Public Information, Central Section
• Ashley Hefner Hoang, Web Director, Los Angeles Section
• Miroo Desai, Vice President for Diversity and Equity, State Board

Results
SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS:

Policy & Procedures Update
The following are recommended policy changes for the nominating and elections processes. I have included the needed updates to be made to the Election Policy & Procedures

Nominating Committee
The P&Ps tasks the president with forming the nominating committee. In practice, the president-elect or past-president forms the committee. The P&Ps should reflect this by tasking either the elect or the past with forming the committee, which is to be reviewed and appointed by the President in consultation with the Executive Board.

Current language:

1.2—Nominating Committee.
A Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the APA California Chapter President by December 31st of each year. This appointment will open a season of Leadership Recruitment and Development. The committee shall consist of the APA California President-Elect or Past-President, who shall serve as the Committee Chair, and up to eight (8) additional members. The President shall solicit Section input for committee members and shall make every effort to ensure a diverse committee representing a mix of ages, ethnicity, geography, and Section representation in order to gain access to a broader spectrum of interested members.

Recommended language:

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FISCAL IMPACT:
None

OTHER INFORMATION:

Current Elections Policies as Amended June 2019