

## BCNU Constitution and Bylaws

### Article 4.02 and 4.03 – Election of Officers

- 4.02 (a) There shall be a Standing Committee on Nominations for the Union (the “Nominations Committee”) comprised of five (5) members elected by the delegates to the Annual convention of the Union in 2013, and every three (3) years thereafter. The President shall declare elected to office the five (5) candidates who receive the largest number of votes. Whenever there is but five (5) candidates for these positions, the vote shall be dispensed with and the President shall declare those candidates elected.
- (b) The term of office of members of the Nominations Committee shall be three (3) years.
- (c) The Nominations Committee will be comprised of five (5) Members of the Union.
- (d) Only Union Members in good standing will be eligible to be a candidate for, and to maintain, a position on the Nominations Committee.
- (e) Nominations Committee members shall not hold a Regional Union position, a Provincial Union position, or a Full-Time Shop Steward position for the duration of their term on the Nominations Committee. For clarity, Nominations Committee members may hold the position of Union steward, if they so choose and if they are elected as such.
- (f) The Nominations Committee shall elect one of its members to hold the position of Chair of the Nominations Committee.
- (g) The Nominations Committee shall meet at the call of its Chair. The Chair may call a meeting of the Nominations Committee at any time. The Chair shall call a meeting of the Nominations Committee upon the written request of three (3) of its members.
- (h) A quorum of the Nominations Committee shall be three (3) of its members.
- (i) The Nominations Committee shall be authorized to transact business in writing or by telephone in a manner to be determined by the Council.
- (j) The Nominations Committee members shall not state a political preference, or endorse in any way, a candidate in any Provincial or Regional BC Nurses’ Union election.
- (k) Despite Article 4.03(j) above, the Nominations Committee members may vote in any Regional or Provincial election, if otherwise eligible to do so.
- 4.03 The Committee’s duties shall include:
- (a) To rule on the eligibility of all candidates for elected office and membership on the Council.
- (b) To implement the procedure for obtaining nominations for the offices of President, Vice President, Treasurer and the Executive Councillors.
- (c) To obtain candidate(s) for any office for which no nomination has been received.
- (d) To prepare and present the ticket of nominations for all officers defined under Article 3.01 to the President and designated Executive Director.
- (e) To conduct and oversee the election and report the results of the election to the President.
- (f) To receive complaints from Union Members with regard to an election process.
- (g) To investigate, resolve and remedy complaints referred to in 4.03(f) above.
- (h) To attend at the Annual Conventions and at the Provincial Bargaining Conferences of the Union as provincially funded observers.