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Lancaster County

June 10, 2024

Special Bulletin:

Lodge Presidents and Secretaries:

Pursuant to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Fraternal Order of Police, Pennsylvania Lodge, Article XXV, Section 1, Nomination and Election of Officers. Nominations for each office shall be submitted in writing to the Pennsylvania Lodge Recording Secretary at least sixty (60) days prior to the date of the Biennial Conference. The Recording Secretary shall then inform all the subordinate lodges of the nominations at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the Conference. The names of all nominees shall appear on a ballot the day of the election. In the event a nominee withdraws or otherwise does not run for office after nominations are closed and no other candidates have been nominated for that office, nominations for that office may be made two (2) days before the election at the Conference as voiced by the delegates. (Amended August 1, 2018, at the 45th Biennial Conference, Harrisburg, PA).

Additionally, Article XXVI, Section 1, Amendments, any proposed amendments to said by-laws shall be sent to all subordinate lodges, by special bulletin, at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the Biennial Conference. The same shall become Law upon the approval of two-thirds of the Delegates present at the Biennial Conference that begins Monday, July 15, 2024.

Submissions were received from the following members for the positions listed:

Joseph Regan, President (Lodge 28)
Charles Bailey, Vice President (Lodge 37)
Yvette Clark, 2nd Vice President (Lodge 5)
Vincent DiCenzo, Jr., Recording Secretary (Lodge 91)
Jason Brinker, Financial Secretary (Lodge 12)
Joseph Brown, Treasurer (Lodge 71)
Kenneth Kensill, Sgt-At-Arms (Lodge 7)
Justin Butler, Trustee (Lodge 2)
William Buttenbusch, Trustee (Lodge 14)
Christopher Eiserman, Trustee (Lodge 27)
Gene Hatcher, Trustee (Lodge 35)
Richard Ruffolo, Trustee (Lodge 1)

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Jonathan Wyant, Trustee (Lodge 114)
John Fiorill, National Trustee (Lodge 16)

There were no other nominations for election received from any eligible member to a position of the PA FOP Board of Directors, Therefore, unless a nominee withdraws or otherwise does not run for office, each of the above nominees shall be elected by acclamation for their two-year term just prior to the adjournment of the conference.

ARTICLE XXIII Endorsements

Section 1. For all General and Primary Elections, the Pennsylvania Lodge and its subordinate lodges shall follow these procedures in choosing any candidate for political or judicial office to be endorsed by the Pennsylvania Lodge or its subordinate lodges.

Section 2. The Pennsylvania Lodge shall have the exclusive power and authority to endorse candidates for political office listed in this Section 2. Except as provided ~~herein,~~ **in subsection c.,** no subordinate lodge may take any public action with respect to the acceptability of any candidate, and no other endorsement of a candidate using the names and marks for the FOP will be allowed. Subordinate lodges are expressly prohibited from endorsing or supporting candidates for any of these offices:

- a. All statewide political and judicial offices, including, but not limited to, governor, lieutenant governor, treasurer, attorney general, auditor general, and the justices and judges of the Supreme, Superior and Commonwealth Courts; and
- b. United States Senate from Pennsylvania
- c. **This limitation on subordinate lodges shall not apply to letters of support for the Primary Election endorsements wherein the candidate is from the subordinate lodge's geographic location or reasonably**

adjacent thereto as determined by the Board of the Pennsylvania Lodge.

Section 3. The Pennsylvania Lodge shall maintain an Endorsement Committee. The Committee shall consist of six (6) members from the following groups:

- a. Cities of the First Class;
- b. Cities of the Second Class;
- c. Police Group Third Class Cities;
- d. Towns, Townships and Boroughs Association;
- e. Pennsylvania State Police;
- f. Pennsylvania State Lodge Board.

~~Committee votes shall be counted based upon the number of delegate entitlements for each group as determined by the Recording Secretary using the prior year's per capita report.~~

Section 4. The Committee shall develop a standard questionnaire for each candidate for political office. The Committee shall provide each viable candidate with the questionnaire and a timely opportunity to respond. The Committee will also attempt to conduct interviews with the candidates.

Section 5. The Committee shall submit its ~~report~~ **recommendation** to the Delegates at the **PA FOP Biennial Conference** ~~or to the Board of Directors~~ **or to the PA Caucus at the National FOP Biennial Conference** at ~~its~~ **these** meetings prior to the election for political or judicial office. The ~~delegates or Board members~~ shall vote either for a candidate or for "no endorsement". A candidate must receive a 2/3 majority vote of the delegates ~~or Board members~~ to receive the endorsement of the Pennsylvania Lodge. ~~The endorsement by delegates shall be by voice vote unless a motion by a delegate, duly seconded and passed, shall be made for a secret ballot vote.~~

Section 6. The PAFOP delegates shall endorse a candidate for President of the United States at its alternating Biennial Conference. The PA National Trustee shall cast his vote for Endorsement for President of the United States at the applicable National conference or meeting consistent with the PA delegates' vote.

Section 7. Should any entity that is authorized to vote for any endorsement or support as set forth in this Article XXIII be unable to do so because of force majeure, the PAFOP Board shall vote in its place.

Section 8. Should any subordinate lodge or member fail to comply with the provisions of this Article XXIII, the matter shall be referred to the Board of Directors for appropriate action. Any action by the Board of Directors taken upon such referral shall not be subject to the processes set forth in Article XXI.

Article III MEMBERSHIP

Section 10 The Pennsylvania Lodge and any subordinate lodge may deny membership to anyone who willfully chooses not to be a dues paying member in good standing of their bargaining unit.

Fraternally,



Vincent J. DiCenzo
Recording Secretary
Fraternal Order of Police
Pennsylvania State Lodge