

May 25, 2017

Hello, Section and Division Chairs-

We now have a timeline for WLA elections and need each of you to report which of your Division or Section steering committee positions* are open to be filled in 2018. Please email both me (<u>dbrixey@kcls.org</u>) AND the WLA office (<u>info@wla.org</u>) by **June 1** with these open positions.

Following this, a call for nominations will be sent to all Sections and Divisions on or around June 15. Election nominations will be due August 1, with candidate statements due by August 15th. The voting period will take place September 1-30, with the winners announced by October 2nd. (*If you are the Chair of a Committee only, those positions are appointed by the WLA President and do not need to go through this election process.*)

Positions will run January-December, 2018. This change to the election cycle was made in part to align elected terms with WLA's fiscal year. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

***WLA Bylaws, article 9, section 5:** "Each Division will have a steering committee with a minimum of a Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and/or Treasurer, elected by members of the respective Division, for a one year term. Additional steering committee members may be added, as needed."

WLA Bylaws, article 10, section 5: "Each Section will have a steering committee with a minimum of three members, meet once a year, and file an annual report with the WLA Board detailing its activities. Steering Committee members will serve a minimum of a one-year term, or a longer term as decided by the Section. Responsibilities of the steering committee will include, but may not be limited to, advising the WLA Board of activities, policies, purposes, finances, etc."

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