

**7900.0400 RETIRED STATE EMPLOYEE MEMBER.**

Subpart 1. **Exceptions from election procedure.** As provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 352.03, retired state employees shall elect one retired state employee to serve as a member of the board of directors. The election of a board member shall be separate and distinct but shall be conducted at the same time by the same tellers and shall follow the same procedure as prescribed in part 7900.0200, except as in subparts 2 to 5.

Subp. 2. **Eligibility.** Retired employees who are eligible for election to the board and eligible to vote for a candidate for the board shall be any persons receiving an annuity from the Minnesota State Retirement System as of January 1 of every other even-numbered year.

Subp. 3. **Notice of election.** Between July 1 and August 15 of every other odd-numbered year, the director shall mail a notice of election to all eligible retired employees giving them notice of election and instructions for becoming a candidate for membership on the board.

Subp. 4. **Candidates.** Any eligible retired employee who desires to be a candidate for membership on the board of directors must submit a nominating petition, signed by ten or more eligible retired employees, to the executive director of the system not later than October 1 in every other odd-numbered year. If the retired employees whose names are filed are eligible to election as members of the board of directors, their names shall be listed under the voting procedures established by the board.

No nominee may withdraw candidacy after October 15. A method for write-in ballots must be offered.

Subp. 5. **Voting.** By February 5 of every other even-numbered year, the executive director shall conduct an election in accordance with the procedures established by the board of directors. The voting instructions and necessary materials shall be mailed to the last address given to the system by the retired employee unless the retired employee notifies the system in writing by November 1 of a different address to be used for this purpose.

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