Important Election Points from IPA Constitutions, By-Laws, and IPA SC Decision

IPA President-Elect

*IPA By-Laws- 3. Governing Bodies

It is preferable that the candidate for IPA President-Elect be someone who has served in IPA or its member societies in a high-level position

Standing Committee

*IPA Constitution- Article 4- GOVERNING BODIES

- 4.9 Mechanism of election of members to the Standing Committee: Member National Pediatric Societies from each of the seven IPA geographic regions will propose a candidate selected through a democratic process with due consideration of rotation of areas within the region. Each Member of International Pediatric Medical and Surgical Specialty Societies may present one duly elected candidate.
- 4.10. No elected individual can serve as a regular member of the SC for more than two successive 2-year terms. This does not include terms served as elected Officers

*IPA By-Laws- 3. Governing Bodies

3.2.4 Standing Committee (SC)

3.2.5.1 For National Societies

- d) USA and Canada shall open the candidacy to members of their respective societies, then proceed to their validation, ultimately proposing one candidate from each country.
- f) Europe: The European region has three seats on the Standing Committee. One seat is allotted to each of the two existing regional societies. The third seat will alternate between the two European societies on a rotating basis.

IPA Executive Officers

*IPA Constitution- Article 4- GOVERNING BODIES

4.13- Candidates for the Executive Director, Deputy Executive Director, and Treasurer will be nominated by the SC and elected by the Council of Delegates

IPA Congress 2029

*IPA Constitution Article 7-INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS

- 7.1. The Council of Delegates (CD) shall determine the location of the International Congress. The location should be consistent with the overall philosophy of the IPA regarding global rotation of Congress sites. The dates of the International Congress shall be determined by the President of the Congress after consultation with the President of the IPA, and the IPA EC and SC
- 7.2. The President of the Congress shall be from the host country and shall be nominated by the host National Pediatric Society (NPS) and be elected by the CD in accordance with Article 4.7.
- 7.3. If there should be an irreconcilable division between the Congress President and the host NPS, it shall be open to the NPS to ask the SC to consider replacing the Congress President with another person. This individual shall be proposed by the NPS up to the time of the interim meeting of the SC between Congresses, provided it is not less than one and a half years before the next Congress.
- 7.4. All aspects of each Congress will be coordinated by the IPA, the IPA PCO (if any), and the President of the Congress, with all details dictated by the specific contractual arrangements developed. The ultimate responsibility for the Congress and its organization resides with the IPA.

*IPA By-Laws – 5 Meetings of IPA

- 5.1.1 Category A Meetings: Scientific meetings organized by IPA (primarily the BIENNIAL IPA World Congress, where IPA is primarily responsible for the Scientific Programme for the meeting along with the National Pediatric Society that is hosting the meeting.
- c) The proposal to host the IPA Congress must be presented by representatives of National Member Societies and endorsed by a government body of the respective country
- d) To be eligible for hosting a congress, a country must be part of a regional society and from a region in which no congress has been held during the two preceding two-year periods.

e) The IPA PCO must be nominated by Standing Committee. f) The Scientific Committee of each IPA Congress shall consider geographical representation (a representative from each Regional Pediatric Societies)

General Notes

Seventh Schedule G.1. IPA Constitution

The reports of the President and Executive Director of the IPA, the list of candidates for the President-Elect of the IPA and the SC of the IPA, the curricula vitae of all candidates, and the proposed sites for the next International Congress shall be sent to each Member Society at least one month before the next scheduled meeting of the CD

IPA SC Decision at Casablanca

- All nominations will be reviewed by the admin office to make sure all the documents are complete, then sent to the election committee to validate for completeness and their opinion about any conflict of interest (financial and ethical). This will be done as nominations are received to avoid any delay
- All nominations should be submitted to the Admin Office for further review by the IEC. The SC will then review the IEC's recommendations and approve the final list of eligible candidates.
- Finally, the Executive Committee/ SC will review the recommendations of the election committee and approve the final list of eligible candidates.
- To be eligible for nomination, a Member Society must have paid membership dues at least for the last two years (2023 and 2024) prior to the Council of Delegates meeting
- Regarding the appeal time, appeals for misconduct or breaches of the code of conduct must be submitted within seven days of the election. For other matters, appeals can be made seven days after the election.