

Rules for the Election for TJPTSA Officers May 26, 2022

1. All members entering the meeting must sign in at the entrance, be certified as a current paid member in good standing, and receive ballot materials.
2. Nominations for each office by the Nominating Committee will be announced, and nominations from the floor called for by the chair, in this order: President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Third Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer.
3. Candidates may be nominated, or nominate themselves, from the floor once the chair calls for nominations until the assembly closes nominations. All candidates who have not been named by the Nominating Committee or previously filed their names must state that they are willing to accept office if elected or, if not present, must provide a written statement to that effect.
4. After nominations are closed, candidates for each office may make a statement no longer than three minutes concerning their credentials and/or plans for office. The order of speaking of candidates for each office shall be determined by random drawing.
5. After candidates' statements, the members present shall vote. The vote will be by ballot (unless there is only one candidate, in which case the election will be by voice vote). The chair will name a chief teller, and the chief teller will name two other tellers. The tellers will witness each voter place her or his ballot into the ballot box.
6. Each voter may write one name on the ballot for each contested office, in the space provided on the ballot for that office. Legal votes may be cast for any eligible person (that is, any person who is a current paid up member), regardless of whether the person has been nominated. Votes cast for an ineligible person will be illegal votes and not counted in the total.
7. A majority of votes cast (excluding illegal votes and abstentions) will be necessary to elect. If no one achieves a majority on the first ballot for any office, there will be a second ballot limited to the two candidates for each office for which there is no majority receiving the most votes on the first ballot.