

CONSTITUTION 2025-01

SUBMITTING LOCAL: 8035-R AFT-OREGON RETIREES

Article VI. Election and Recall of Officers

Section 3. Election of Officers

- g.** In elections for positions with multiple seats, the number of votes needed to be elected shall be half of the number of votes distributed to delegates. The number of votes distributed to a delegate shall be awarded to each candidate that the delegate specified a ranking number lower than or equal to the total number of seats available. The candidates with the most votes, that are above the number of votes needed, shall be elected. If vacancies exist after the first round, additional elections shall be held. If there is only a single multi-seat vacancy after an election, the next election shall be considered a single seat election.
- h.** Challenges and objections to the election must be submitted in writing, with a statement of supporting reasons that includes specific facts as well as any documentation, to the Elections Committee within fifteen (15) days of the ballot count. The Elections Committee shall investigate and issue its written opinion regarding the specific challenges and objections no later than thirty (30) days after receipt of such challenges and objections. The Elections Committee shall be guided in its investigation of the complaint and in reaching its determination by the requirements in the American Federation of Teachers Constitution for affiliate elections, and those provisions in this Constitution and Bylaws for elections, the conduct of elections, and conduct affecting the outcome of the election.
- ih.** Ballots shall be impounded and kept by AFT-Oregon for not less than one year.
- ji.** New officers shall assume their duties on July 1 following their election.

Section 4. Recall of Elected Officers.

B. Such recall election may commence and proceed in this manner:

- 7.** The polling officer shall tabulate the votes sent in by the members. The tabulations by the polling officer shall be verified at the next meeting of the executive council. Recall shall require a return of not less than fifty percent (50%) of the membership who were mailed ballots.
- 8.** Challenges and objections to the recall election will be submitted and conducted in the same manner as in Election of Officers in Section 3(h).
- 98.** Ballots shall be impounded by AFT-Oregon for a period of no less than one year.