ARTICLE VIII

ELECTIONS

Section 1: Election of the International President, Executive Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasure, Financial Secretary, and Sergeant at Arms shall be by ballot in the even numbered years. “Write-in votes” are not allowed. The seven (7) Regional Directors shall be in the odd numbered years at the Regional Conference. All terms of office shall be two (2) years or until a successor is elected.

Section 2: If in the event of a tie vote for the office of International President, the election shall be determined by a majority role call vote of local associations in attendance at the International Annual Convention. In the event of a tie in any other Elected Position on the International Executive Board, the position shall be filed by majority vote of the International Executive Board.

Section 3: Criterion for Candidacy

(1) Minimum of four years as a member in good standing locally, regionally and nationally. Individual members, where no local association exist, shall be in good standings regionally and nationally.

 (2) All candidates must have attended at least one Regional Conference and at least one International Annual Convention within the previous four years.

 (3) All candidates must submit to the national office/IABPFF Recording Secretary through their Regional Director a “Letter of Candidacy”. The candidate’s Chapter president and Regional Director must sign this letter. Attesting to the fact that he/she has met the above requirements. Individual members where no local association exist, must have their Regional Director’s signature

 (4) Members must declare their candidacy for International Executive Office six (6) months prior to the starting date of the international biennial convention by a “Letter of Candidacy” submitted to the national office/IABPFF Recording Secretary six (6) months prior to the starting date of the international convention. The Recording Secretary will then forward a copy of the “Letter of Candidacy” to the Corresponding Secretary.