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Q. What happens at the Delegate Assembly business meeting?

A. The Resolutions Process is vital to the Association’s mission, and the Delegate Assembly is one of the most important functions conducted by IASB at the Delegate Assembly during the November Joint Annual Conference. It gives member districts ownership in the Association and the opportunity to establish the direction of the Association and its major policies. Every member district has a delegate, a vote, and a voice.

Q. How does my school board select the Delegate?

A. Each school board that is a member of the Association is entitled to one voting delegate at the Delegate Assembly. Every member board is advised to select one individual board member to serve as its delegate, and to review proposed resolutions with the full board before determining its vote. Please note, only your school district roster managers can register a delegate online. Delegates shall be pre-registered. Only those delegates seated in the reserved section will be permitted to participate in the business session. The selection process is left up to the school district. Each school district has the authority and autonomy to develop their own process for the selection of delegates.

Q. How does the Delegate vote for the Resolution?

A. Delegates attend the Delegate Assembly during the November Joint Annual Conference. Discussion is held before votes are taken. Voting must be done in person (though a delegate is not required to be registered for the entire Conference). Delegates vote “to adopt” or “not adopt” the resolutions as put forth by the Resolutions Committee. The Delegate Assembly vote determines the final decision on all resolutions. If approved by the Delegate Assembly, resolutions become Position Statements or Belief Statements in the IASB Constitution, and thus give IASB staff direction on legislative positions.

Q. What are IASB Resolutions?

A. Resolutions may be either in the form of a position statement or a belief statement. Position statements address issues affecting or concerning local boards of education; they direct the Association’s advocacy efforts. Belief statements express significant values commonly held by local boards of education; they may or may not call for action to be taken by the Association.

Q. How do I participate in the Resolutions Process?

A. Submitting new resolutions, discussing the resolutions at your local board meeting, sharing your insight with other boards, and sending a well-informed delegate to the assembly are all key actions for you to take. The Resolutions Committee Report 2021 is provided in the Fall and is intended to allow your board time to discuss the resolutions. We hope that this will increase participation and enthusiasm from member districts.

Q. How do I submit a Resolution?

A. Resolutions for proposed position statements or belief statements may be proposed by any Active Member, Association Division, the Association’s Board of Directors, or the Resolutions Committee.

Resolutions to be published and distributed to the Active Members must be submitted to the Resolutions Committee at least 150 days prior to the Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly.

The Resolutions Committee shall review all proposed resolutions, distribute a final draft of proposed resolutions to the membership not less than 45 days prior to the Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly, and may recommend the approval or disapproval of any resolution to the Delegate Assembly. The Resolutions Committee has the prerogative to determine which resolutions are to be presented to the Delegate Assembly; and whether they are presented as position statements or belief statements. However, all resolutions that are timely submitted to the Resolutions Committee must be distributed to Active Members not less than 45 days prior to the Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly.

Q. When are Resolutions reviewed?

A. The Resolutions Committee shall annually review currently in force position statements and belief statements to determine whether they are consistent with the current positions or beliefs of Association members. The Resolutions Committee shall recommend that the Delegate Assembly amend or rescind any position statement or belief statement that is not consistent with the current positions or beliefs of Association members. All position statements and belief statements currently in force will be published annually and distributed to Active Members prior to the Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly.

Q. Can I appeal a Resolution?

A. Any Active Member, Association Division, or Association Board of Directors, that has submitted a proposal that has received a negative recommendation from the Resolutions Committee, shall have the right to appeal the decisions of the Resolutions Committee at the Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly. Notice of appeal must be submitted in writing to the Resolutions Committee. The committee must be in receipt of the written appeal no later than the close of business eight calendar days before the Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly. A majority of the delegates present and voting at the Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly is required for consideration of appeals.

Q. What order are Resolutions adopted?

Each resolution to be adopted will be considered in the following order of categories: Educational Programs, Financing Public Education, Legislative Activity, Board Operations and Duties, Board Employee Relations, Local State Federal Relations, and District Organization and Elections. Reaffirmation or deletion of existing positions will be done with a single motion unless a delegate wishes a particular position or positions to be considered separately.

Q. What happens if the Resolution is late or needs an amendment?

A. Any proposed amendment to a resolution that does not meet the time requirements shall be immediately remanded to the Resolutions Committee for consideration. Late Resolutions which are not presented to the Resolutions Committee at least 150 days prior to the Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly may be considered only by the following procedure: Such resolutions may be proposed by an Active Member, Association Division, Association Board of Directors, or the Resolutions Committee and submitted in writing to the Resolutions Committee. Any resolution which is not submitted in the manner described above shall not be considered by the Delegate Assembly. Late resolutions shall be considered for approval by the Resolutions Committee. The Resolutions Committee may recommend approval or

disapproval of the late resolution to the Delegate Assembly. Any such resolution disapproved by the Resolutions Committee may be appealed by a seventy-five (75) percent majority vote of the delegates present. Delegates seeking authority to present late resolutions at the Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly shall provide copies for all delegates present at the meeting, including rationale and relevant supporting documentation.

Q. Can an existing Position Statements be reaffirmed or amended?

A. Yes, Amendments to position statements are taken up in the same manner as proposed resolutions. In addition, the IASB Constitution calls for an annual review of all existing position statements to determine whether they are consistent with the current positions or beliefs of the Association members. The amendment or deletion recommendations are submitted to the Resolutions Committee for review, following the same deadlines and timelines for other resolutions, presented to the membership in the yearly "Resolutions Committee Report" and then presented to the Delegate Assembly for approval.

The Delegate Assembly has the authority to reaffirm existing Position Statements. Proposals to reaffirm an existing position may be initiated by member school boards or the Resolutions Committee. All such proposals shall be submitted through the same procedure as all other resolutions and shall meet all criteria and constitutional timelines applicable to all resolutions.