

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The 1978 election-by-mail was much more successful than the 1977 election; a total of 195 members voted, compared to 138 last year. The success may be attributed to several factors:

1. Only one election was held
2. Only 2 positions were open
3. The entire process was much more expeditious due to the availability of the survey results
4. The Secretary-Treasurer provided invaluable assistance in finalizing the ballot and securing vita as well as distributing election materials.

The lists of nominees for Publications Board and Distinguished Lecture Committee were drawn up by the nominating committee and submitted to the Secretary-Treasurer in February. The Secretary-Treasurer then requested nominees submit Vita. Postcard ballots addressed to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, along with the vita and election instructions were mailed to the membership in March, 1978. By the May 10 deadline, 195 ballots had been returned. The results are as follows:

For Publication Board:

Elected: Davenport

Not Elected: Struna, Mutimer

For Distinguished Lecture Committee:

Elected: Holbrook

Not Elected: Onigman

Despite the obvious improvement in the election procedure, the committee is still operating with insufficient data. In addition to the NASSH Survey results, which we strongly urge be maintained and updated regularly, the committee needs a systematic means of obtaining input from the membership, as well as more data concerning the qualifications of potential candidates.

The committee therefore makes the following recommendations:

1. Amend the constitution to ensure more efficient procedures. (see attached)
2. Develop an operating code for the nominating committee. (see attached)
3. Develop a systematic method of obtaining input from members concerning nominations.
4. Maintain a current file of vita on all members. (This would be useful in making appointments and preparing programs as well as in conjunction with elections.)
5. Ensure the continued use and accuracy of the NASSH Service Questionnaire.

Respectfully Submitted,
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