

MVLS Governance Committee

Proposed Bylaws Changes

Article III Section 2 proposed additional language (green):

The term of office of trustees shall be for a period of five years – that period to begin on January 1 and end on December 31. In accordance with the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law (“NFPCL”) and as limited by the Education Law Section 216-A; except where such holdover would extend the term limits in Article III section 7; each Trustee shall hold office until the expiration of the term for which they are elected or appointed, and until their successor has been elected or appointed and qualified. At MVLS, a successor is qualified if they are at least 18 years of age, are willing to serve as trustee, live in the System's area of service, have filled out an initial conflict of interest disclosure form and Oath of Office, and fulfills the requirements of Article III section 6.

Article III Section 6 proposed language:

Any person residing in the county which is to be represented or the chartered area of a member library of that county, is eligible to hold the office of trustee. Any person recommended by the Directors’ Council as their representative is eligible to serve as trustee. The representative recommended by the Directors’ Council will be officially elected according to the provisions in Section 5; or, if the position is vacated mid-term, as specified in Section 4.