Guidelines Regarding Voting Delegates and Voting Procedures at Alabama PTA State Convention

Per the Alabama PTA Bylaws, Article XIII, Section 2:
   a. Members of the Alabama PTA board of directors shall be entitled to vote at the annual convention.
   b. Each local PTA remitting dues on or before March 1 shall be entitled to be represented at the convention by its president, or alternate and one voting delegate for each 50 members or major fraction thereof. (This shall not conflict with Article IV, Section 7, Paragraph c.) PTAs in arrears for dues shall not be entitled to representation at the annual convention.
   c. The convention shall be open to all members, but the privilege of making motions, debating, and voting shall be limited to the voting body. A voting member shall have one vote.

Article IV, Section 7, Paragraph c:
Councils may be chartered by Alabama PTA in counties, cities, or other areas designated by the board of directors for the purpose of conference, leadership training, and coordination of local PTAs. Council shall not legislate for local PTAs. Councils shall be comprised of three or more PTAs. Only PTAs or PTSAs shall be members of a council. Any person holding an elected or appointed position in a council shall be a member of a local PTA within the council. Each council shall be presented on the Alabama PTA Board of Directors by its president or an alternate selected by the council......

Article VI, Section 1
Each board member shall be a member of a local PTA chartered by Alabama PTA.

In order to be in compliance with our bylaws for voting delegate representation at the upcoming State Convention and for ability to run for state office, the following guidelines will be followed:

1. The Alabama PTA Membership Assistant will verify the membership of each convention registrant against the roster provided by their local unit PTA. If the registrant’s name does not appear on the roster provided by the local unit PTA, then the registrant will be required to present their membership card at the convention registration. They will be contacted in advance to inform them of this requirement. This process will continue through April 17th. After April 17th, all registrants must present their membership card in order to have voting privileges. Membership rosters will not be available at the convention registration, so membership cards must be presented to prove membership for potential voting privileges for those registering on site at the convention.
2. All members of the Alabama PTA Board of Directors membership status will be verified by the Alabama PTA Membership Assistant prior to February 1st. If there are any issues with verification of membership, then the board member will be contacted by the State President.

3. All dues must have been remitted prior to March 1st in order to be considered as a dues paying member during this administration.

4. The membership of all candidates brought forth by the nominating committee will be verified prior to the convention and any candidates nominated from the floor must provide their membership card if their membership has not verified through the credentials process.

5. In cases where there is more than one candidate per office, then ballot elections will be handled by the elections committee on Saturday, April 25 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm in a designated polling area.