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0142.1 - **ELECTORAL PROCESS**

Board elections are held during the spring election on the first Tuesday in April in a manner that is consistent with State law.

The School District of Tomahawk Board of Education shall consist of nine (9) members elected at large. Each member shall represent a geographical region of the District.

~~There will be four (4) members representing the apportioned areas of the City of Tomahawk, three (3) representing the apportioned areas of the Towns of Bradley, Skanawan, Tomahawk, Birch, and Rock Falls, one (1) representing the apportioned areas of the Towns of Nokomis, Wilson and Little Rice, and one (1) representing the apportioned areas of the Towns of King and Harrison.~~

In accordance with action taken by the electorate at the September 10, 2024 Annual Meeting, membership of the Board of Education shall be apportioned as follows:

Three (3) representatives from each of the three (3) geographic areas:

(3) members for the City of Tomahawk

(3) members for the Townships of Harrison (WD 1), King, Little Rice, Nokomis, Wilson

(3) members for the Townships of Bradley, Birch (WD 1), Rock Falls (WD 2), Skanawan, Tomahawk

The Board shall review the boundaries defining the areas of apportionment for balanced population following each national census.

Declaration of Candidacy

Any qualified elector desiring election to the Board must file a Declaration of Candidacy with the Board Clerk, using forms provided by the District, no later than 5:00 P.M. on the first Tuesday in January (or on the next day of Tuesday is a holiday.) Qualified candidates shall then be placed on the ballot.

Incumbent Board members may file a Declaration of Non-Candidacy by 5:00 P.M. on the 2nd Friday preceding the deadline for filing ballot access documents, as specified in the preceding paragraph, to avoid an extension of time for filing such papers. Candidates must be registered voters of the School District of Tomahawk. If there are more than twice as many candidates as members to be elected, a primary election will be held.

If an incumbent fails to file a Declaration of Candidacy by the 5:00 P.M. deadline on the first Tuesday in January, candidates may file a Declaration of Candidacy within seventy-two (72) hours following the original Tuesday deadline.

The order of names on the ballot shall be determined by lot, in the event more than one (1) person seeks office from a representative area.

Declaration of Non-Candidacy

If an incumbent files a Declaration of Non-Candidacy no later than 5:00 P.M. on the 2nd Friday preceding the Tuesday deadline, there is no extension of the Tuesday deadline.

~~When the first Tuesday in January is a holiday the deadline becomes 5:00 P.M. the next day.~~

In addition, if an incumbent files written notification that the incumbent is not a candidate for reelection to their office or fails to file a declaration of candidacy within the time prescribed by this bylaw, the District Clerk shall promptly provide public notice of that fact on the District's website or, if the District does not maintain a website, by posting notices in at least three (3) different locations within the District.

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