

Board of Trustees Elections

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Board Trustee elections shall be held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November in odd-numbered years. Any person legally qualified to hold the position of school trustee shall file a declaration of candidacy with the clerk's office of the county or counties in which their zone lies. The declaration must include the name of the candidate, the term for which declaration of candidacy is made, and have signatures of not less than five (5) school district electors residing in the trustee zone of which the candidate seeks election. Such declaration must be filed with the clerk of the school district not later than 5:00 p.m. on the tenth Friday preceding the day of the election for the subject trustee position. Any person seeking to become a write-in candidate must file a declaration of intent with the clerk's office of the county or counties in which their zone lies not later than 5:00 p.m. on the ninth Friday preceding the day of the election and include the signatures of not fewer than five (5) school district electors residing in the trustee zone of which the candidate seeks election.

If, after expiration of the date for filing written nominations, it appears that only one (1) qualified candidate has been nominated for a position or if only one (1) candidate has filed a write-in declaration of intent, no election shall be held for that position, and the Board or the Clerk with the written permission of the Board, shall declare such candidate elected as a trustee. The Clerk shall immediately prepare and deliver to the person a certificate of election signed by the Clerk bearing the seal of the District. All other scheduled trustee elections will move forward under the regular procedures.

In each trustee zone, the person receiving the greatest number of votes cast within his zone shall be declared by the Board of Trustees as the trustee elected from that zone.

If any two (2) or more persons have an equal number of votes in any trustee zone and a greater number than any other nominee in that zone, the Board of Trustees shall determine the winner by a toss of a coin.

Legal Reference:

[I.C. § 33-401](#) Legislative Intent

[I.C. § 33-501](#) Board of Trustees

[I.C. § 33-502](#) Declaration of candidacy for trustees

[I.C. § 33-502B](#) Board of Trustees – One nomination – No election.

[I.C. § 33-503](#) Election of Trustees – Uniform Date

[I.C. § 34-1404](#) Declaration of Candidacy

[I.C. § 34-1407](#) Write-in Candidate

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