

GSRMA Board Member Election Process Outline  
Effective for July, 2017, vacancies  
(Approved 9/20/2016)

The July, 2017, vacancies for the GSRMA board include representatives for fire districts and special districts. Per action at their July, 2016, meeting, the Board decided to test an election process that could replace the random drawing process described currently in the GSRMA bylaws. The test process will be reviewed at the July, 2017, board meeting and the board will entertain revising the bylaws to include the new process.

Districts in these two member groups (fire and special) will be invited to nominate themselves. (Note, the nomination will be for a particular district not for an individual person. If elected, the chosen district will appoint a member of their governing board to serve on the GSRMA board.)

Once the nomination period has closed and the slate of nominated districts is approved by the GSRMA board, the election will be conducted. During this election period, nominated districts may contact districts in their peer group to promote their desire to appoint a representative to the GSRMA board.

Each district will get one vote each. The vote will either be by board action or by the district representative (usually the district manager or primary contact) as authorized by the district board.

All communication to members will be through their preferred method of communication (email or USPS). Members may vote either electronically or via USPS or fax.

The timeline for this process is as follows:

Approval of this process at September board meeting (September 20, 2016.)

Nominations open October 1, 2016 through December 20, 2016.

- Send nomination invite by October 1, 2016.
- Send deadline reminder by November 30, 2016.
- Nominations must be received in the GSRMA office by end of business December 20, 2016.

Approve nominees/ballot at January board meeting (January 11, 2017.)

Election conducted February 1, 2017 – April 21, 2017.

- Distribute primary contact information for each peer district to candidate districts by January 20, 2017.
- Distribute election ballot by February 1, 2017.
- Send deadline reminder by March 31, 2017.
- Ballots must be received in the GSRMA office by end of business April 21, 2017
- Election winners are determined by a simple majority of the votes cast.
- In case of a tie among those receiving the most votes, the winner will be decided by random selection from those candidates that are tied.

Certify results at May board meeting (May 10, 2017.)