## **CALL FOR ELECTIONS**

The membership is hereby notified that elections will be held in the spring of 2012 for the following National Korean War Veterans Association, INC. (KWVA) offices: President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, and four (4) Directors for the years 2012-2015.

No later than December 15, 2011, any regular members in good standing of the KWVA seeking to run for the aforementioned offices shall make their intentions known to the Chairman of the Elections Committee, Thomas M. McHugh., in writing, using the following format:

## **Requirements:**

Applicants must:

- **A.** Present proof of service by submitting a separate signed Official KWVA Membership Application Form showing eligible service years and a statement releasing the application form for verification by the Elections Committee (no fee required).
- **B.** Present a current photograph, suitable for publication in The Graybeards.
- **C**. Submit a letter, signed and dated, limited to approximately one (1) page, including the following:
  - 1) Your intent to run for an office and the office sought.
- 2) A resume of your qualifications for this office, stating any experience that will be of benefit to the Association.
  - 3) Your current mailing address, telephone number and KWVA membership number.
  - 4) Your email address, if available.
  - 5) Alternate email address and alternate phone number, if available.
- 6) A statement that you will attend all called meetings of the Board of Directors and that you understand that two (2) unexcused absences could be used for your removal from office.
- 7) A statement that your dues are current through the whole term of the office that you are seeking. **Note:** Payment of delinquent dues shall not be retroactive for the purpose of establishing eligibility to run for office within the Association.
- **D.** Send the above items by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Elections Committee Chairman, to arrive not later than December 15, 2011.

Applicants are requested to contact the Elections Committee Chairman if they have any questions.

Address application packages and questions to: Thomas M. McHugh, Election Committee Chairman, 217 Seymour Road, Hackettstown, NJ 07840: Ph: 908-852-1964 Email: TMMcHugh@msn.com

## The KWVA election process is as follows:

- The Elections Committee certifies the candidates who are qualified to stand for office.
- The candidate declarations are sent to the editor of The Graybeards for publication in the January-February 2012 edition.
- The ballots are also published in that edition.
- Members cast their ballots by June 10th and mail them to the KWVA-approved CPA.
- The CPA counts the ballots and reports the results via certified tally sheets to the Elections Committee.
- The results reported by the CPA are verified by the Elections Committee.
- Copies of the completed and verified tally sheets are sent by certified mail to each of the 15 Board Members, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and to each of the candidates for office, regardless of whether they are a winner or loser.

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## NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE KWVA Bylaws Change

The following change to Article II, Section 3 of the KWVA Bylaws was approved by the Board of Directors at their Meeting on July 25, 2011. Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 2, Bylaws Amendments the Membership is hereby notified that the change will be presented for ratification at the next scheduled Membership Meeting.

The motion to amend the Bylaws that was approved requires changes in the dates and event sequences that will define and extend the election process to allow sufficient time, beginning with an earlier Candidate submittal date.

The revised Bylaws text is inserted below in **bold italics**.

Section 3. Association Elections. All criteria and procedures for the election of the President and two(2) Vice Presidents, as well as the appropriate Directors of the Board, shall be developed and approved by the KWVA Board for inclusion and use in the KWVA Standard Procedure Manual (SPM).

- A. Each Regular member shall have a vote for all Association officers. Each member shall cast only their own vote. Proxy voting is not permitted.
- B. The Association Secretary shall issue a call for an election, which shall be published in an Edition of The Graybeards as specified in the Standard Procedure Manual (SPM).
- C. Any Regular member in good standing, as defined in the Standard Procedure Manual (SPM) of the Korean War Veterans Association, Inc., may run for the open offices of President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, or Director.

Respectfully,

George E. Lawhon LR18750 Director Chairman, KWVA Bylaws Committee

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