2021 Extension of Term Option

On February 15, 2021, the Delaware PTA approved a special non-election option to continue the current board of your unit’s PTA with the consent of board members and approval of membership.

General Information

- Executive board composition is defined in your unit’s PTA bylaws.
- A Majority is defined as a “simple majority” which is more than half of the votes cast among alternatives (disregarding abstentions).
- This provision is exclusively for the elections of the 2021-2022 fiscal year. It will not pertain to future elections, membership, any financial processes, requirements, or any matter other than these elections.

1. First, the president must confirm which executive board members are willing to extend their 2020-2021 term of office in the same position one time and by one year only following the guidelines below.

   - This shall be recorded in the official executive board meeting minutes, as “For the record, please state your name and position if you are willing to continue serving in the same position on the executive board through fiscal year ending 2022.”
   - If less than a majority is willing to return in the same position, the nominating committee and elections shall continue per the unit’s PTA bylaws.
   - If a majority of the executive board* is willing to return in the same position, the executive board must vote by majority to put the recommendation before the membership.
   - If the executive board approves the recommendation, the matter must be approved by a majority at a membership meeting.
   - After approval by the membership, the position of any person who does not desire to continue will be considered vacant and filled according to the bylaws.
   - If the nominating committee has already been elected by membership, the executive board may allow the process to continue as outlined by the bylaws or may choose to follow the guidelines listed herein. In this case, a motion to dissolve the elected nominating committee must be approved at the same meeting where the membership approves the current executive board to continue through fiscal year ending 2022.

2. Second, the membership must approve the extension of the executive board’s term by a majority vote.

   - A notification of the vote must be posted a minimum of three days in advance. Sample notification of vote: "Due to the difficulties of COVID-19, Delaware PTA has approved a one-time extension of the term of office by one year in the same position with membership approval. This item will be discussed and voted on at the meeting on [insert date, time, location]."
   - The president will explain the option provided by Delaware PTA and accept a motion. By recommendation of the executive board, I move to extend the term for the executive board members in their current positions through fiscal year ending 2022, and (if applicable) dissolve the nominating committee.
   - If not approved by membership, the nominating committee and elections shall continue per the unit’s PTA bylaws.
   - If approved by membership, all consenting executive board members would continue in their roles through fiscal year ending 2022.