MLA Nominating Committee
an attempt to explain the process

A person elected to serve on an MLA Nominating Committee is selected **three times**.

First:
Each chapter either elects or appoints someone from their Chapter to be their candidate to the committee usually at Chapter's annual meeting or annual election. (About 14 – 18 months prior to the committee they will serve on, if elected. See chart below.)

Second:
Each chapter submits to the Chapter Council Election/Nominating Committee their candidate 60 – 120 days prior to the Chapter Council meeting held at the MLA Annual Meeting. (By **March, 2010**.)

From the 14 candidates submitted by the Chapters, the Chapter Council elects 6 (six) candidates. Elections this year will be by electronic ballot in April, 2010!

Third:
The six (6) candidates elected by the Chapter Council are then submitted to MLA. MLA puts together the slate for the Nominating Committee by taking the 6 candidates from Chapter Council along with six (6) candidates submitted by Section Council and six (6) candidates submitted by the MLA Executive Board.

This slate of 18 candidates is presented to the MLA membership in the Fall when MLA holds its elections. From this slate, the membership elects 9 people that will actually form the MLA Nominating Committee at the MLA Annual meeting the following May. See chart below.

2010 Nominating Committee	2011 Nominating Committee	2012 Nominating Committee
June – December 2008 Chapter selects candidate for the MLA 2009 Nominating Committee	**June – December 2009 Chapter selects candidate for the MLA 2011 Nominating Committee**	June – December 2010 Chapter selects candidate for the MLA 2012 Nominating Committee
January – February 2009 Select candidate for the MLA 2010 Nominating Committee if not already done.	**January – February 2010 Select candidate for the MLA 2010 Nominating Committee if not already done.**	January – February 2011 Select candidate for the MLA 2012 Nominating Committee if not already done.
March – April 2009 Submit Information on Candidate for the MLA 2010 Nominating Committee to CC Nominating/Elections Committee	**March, 2010 Submit Information on Candidate for the MLA 2010 Nominating Committee to CC Nominating/Elections Committee**	March, 2011 Submit Information on Candidate for the MLA 2012 Nominating Committee to CC Nominating/Elections Committee
May 2009 Chapter Council elects 6 candidates for the MLA 2010 Nominating Committee	**April, 2010 Chapter Council elects 6 candidates for the MLA 2011 Nominating Committee by electronic ballot!**	April, 2011 Chapter Council elects 6 candidates for the MLA 2012 Nominating Committee by electronic ballot!
November – December 2009 MLA members elect the 9 member MLA 2009 Nominating Committee	November – December 2010 MLA members elect the 9 member MLA 2011 Nominating Committee	November – December 2011 MLA members elect the 9 member MLA 2012 Nominating Committee
May 2010, Elected members serve on the MLA 2010 Nominating Committee in Washington DC	May, 2011 Elected members serve on the MLA 2011 Nominating Committee in Minneapolis.	May 2012, Elected members serve on the MLA 2012 Nominating Committee in Seattle.

Italics-already happened
Bold-important for this year

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Timeline for 2010 - 2011
Activities related to the MLA Nominating Committee

June 2009 – February 2010: each chapter selects a person to be their candidate to the MLA 2011 Nominating Committee.

February – March 2010: Chapters submit candidate for the 2011 Nominating Committee information to the Chapter Council Nominating/Elections Committee.

April, 2010: Chapter Council elects 6 candidates for the MLA 2011 Nominating Committee by electronic ballot.

May 2010: MLA puts together slate of 18 candidates (6 from Chapter Council, 6 from Section Council, 6 from Board)

And then ….

November – December 2010: MLA members will vote for 9 candidates from the slate of 18 candidates for the MLA 2011 Nominating Committee

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