



AMHA Youth Council Election Procedures 2008

Regional Representatives: Currently applications will be reviewed and representatives will be chosen by consensus of the current Youth Council, AMHA Youth Director, and the Youth Steering Committee Co-Chairs. The number of representatives per region is still to be determined. Regional Representative terms are one year (with the exception of the initial term which will run 14 months).

(It is our hope that eventually we will regularly receive enough Regional Representative applicants that a vote by the AMHA Youth membership will be warranted.)

Should a current Regional Representative wish to be reelected or run for a Regional Director position and cannot attend convention they may submit a written explanation to the Executive Board and AMHA Office 2 weeks prior to convention to be considered for a position. The explanation should include a short summary of Youth Council involvement, reason for their absence from the Convention, what position is sought, and reasons why they are deserving of the position.

Regional Directors: Will be elected from the Regional Representative base of each region. The members of the Executive Committee as well as the Regional Representatives from the respective region will vote on Regional Director candidates. A Regional Director should have served on the Council for at least one term as a Regional Representative. Regional Directorial terms are two years. During the transition period, those currently serving as Regional Directors will remain in office. Those seats that are vacant will be filled by qualified Regional Representative applicants as determined by the Youth Council, AMHA Youth Director, and Youth Steering Committee Co-Chairs.

Should a current Regional Director wish to be reelected to their current position or to an executive office and cannot attend convention they may submit a written explanation to the Executive Board and AMHA Office 2 weeks prior to convention to be considered for a position. The explanation should include a short summary of their Youth Council involvement, the reason for their absence from the Convention, what position is sought, and reasons why they are deserving of the position.

- Secretary:** Will be elected from the within the Youth Council. The entire Youth Council membership will vote on this position. A candidate for Secretary should have served as a Regional Director for at least one term. This position will be a two-year term.
- Vice-President:** Will be elected from within the Youth Council. The entire Youth Council membership will vote on this position. A candidate for Vice-President should have served as a Regional Director for at least one term. This position will be a two-year term.
- President:** Will be elected from within the Youth Council. The entire Youth Council membership will vote on this position. A candidate for President should have served as a Regional Director for at least one term. This position will be a two-year term.
- Ex- Officio:** Will be the immediate past President and will serve in this capacity until a new President has been elected.