

MAINE

CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION

BACKGROUND

In order to fulfill Chapter 1: Commission Organization and Operation Section 2. Officers:

The Commission shall elect a chair and such other officers as may be necessary to conduct its business. Officers must include a Chair and a Vice-Chair. The Commission may create additional officer positions by majority vote. Officers must be elected by a majority vote of the Commission members annually at the first meeting in July.

Each officer's term is for one (1) year. Officers may not serve more than two (2) terms, but may serve again after not serving in that office for at least one (1) term. Upon expiration of an officer's term, the position becomes vacant and must be filled in the manner provided for election of officers.

Election of Chair and Vice-Chair of the Maine Charter School Commission

A Nomination Committee appointed by the Chair, that includes at least two Commission members, **(changed from nomination committee includes a former Chairs + added timeline below)** shall solicit candidates to fill the officer positions and bring those names forward to the Commission members at the July meeting. The members will be asked if there are any other nominations from members. Candidates may make brief statements and the vote will be taken for each officer position separately. Officers must be elected by a majority vote.

Timeline:

- May: Announce the opening of the process and appoint an Ad-Hoc Nominating Committee
- June: Committee meets and polls members regarding availability and a slate of officers is considered
- July, unless the Commission does not meet in July, in which case, the officer vote will happen during the next Commission Meeting held. Committee moves the slate of officers to be considered and invites additional nominations from the floor; candidates can speak and votes are taken for each officer position
- August: Committee gives a final report and suggests possible changes to the policy/procedure