

## **IC 20-23-13**

### **Chapter 13. Election of Governing Body Members in Hammond Community School Corporation**

#### **IC 20-23-13-1**

##### **Composition of governing body; election of members; term of office**

Sec. 1. (a) In a community school corporation established under IC 20-23-4, that has a population of more than eighty thousand five hundred (80,500) but less than one hundred thousand (100,000), the governing body consists of a board of trustees of five (5) members elected in the manner provided in this chapter.

(b) The governing body members shall be elected at the times provided and shall succeed the retiring members in the order and manner as set forth in this chapter.

(c) The term of each person elected to serve on the governing body begins on the date set in the school corporation's organization plan. The date set in the organization plan for an elected member of the governing body to take office may not be more than fourteen (14) months after the date of the member's election. If the school corporation's organization plan does not set a date for an elected member of the governing body to take office, the member takes office January 1 that immediately follows the person's election.

*As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.230-2005, SEC.80; P.L.179-2011, SEC.24; P.L.119-2012, SEC.149; P.L.219-2013, SEC.83.*

#### **IC 20-23-13-2**

##### **Repealed**

*(Repealed by P.L.179-2011, SEC.34.)*

#### **IC 20-23-13-2.1**

##### **Method of election; ballots**

Sec. 2.1. (a) As used in this section, "county election board" includes a board of elections and registration established under IC 3-6-5.2.

(b) The voters of the school corporation shall elect the members of the governing body at a general election for a term of four (4) years. The members shall be elected from the city at large without reference to district.

(c) Each candidate for election to the governing body must file a petition of nomination with the county election board in each county in which a school corporation subject to this chapter is located. The petition of nomination must comply with IC 3-8-2.5 and the following requirements:

- (1) The petition must be signed by at least two hundred (200) legal voters of the school corporation.
- (2) Each petition may nominate only one (1) candidate.
- (3) The number of petitions signed by a legal voter may not exceed the number of school trustees to be elected.

(d) After all the petitions described in subsection (c) are filed with the county election board, the board shall publish the names of those nominated in accordance with IC 5-3-1 and shall certify the nominations in the manner required by law. IC 3 governs the election to the extent that it is not inconsistent with this chapter.

(e) The county election board shall prepare the ballot for the general election at which members of the governing body are to be elected so that the names of the candidates nominated appear on the ballot:

- (1) in alphabetical order;
- (2) without party designation; and
- (3) in the form prescribed by IC 3-11-2.

(f) The county election board shall not publish or place on the ballot the name of a candidate who is not eligible under this chapter for membership on the governing body.

(g) Each voter may vote for as many candidates as there are members of the governing body to be elected.

*As added by P.L.179-2011, SEC.25.*

### **IC 20-23-13-3**

#### **Legislative intent**

Sec. 3. The intent of this chapter is to provide that the governing body of the school corporations to which it relates shall be elected as provided in:

- (1) IC 20-23-4-27;
- (2) IC 20-23-4-29.1;
- (3) IC 20-23-4-30; and
- (4) IC 20-23-4-31;

but this chapter prevails over any conflicting provisions of IC 20-23-4 relating to any school corporation.

*As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.179-2011, SEC.26.*