

## **ARTICLE VII DISTRICTS AND DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES**

**Section 1:** For the purpose of selecting district representatives, providing representation to all members of WPEC and other purposes within this Constitution and as designated by the Executive Council, the State shall be divided into ~~seven~~ eight districts. A regular member is in the district which covers his or her work address. The districts are defined as follows:

- a) District 1: Western - State facilities in Barron, Buffalo, Burnett, Chippewa, Crawford, Douglas, Dunn, Eau Claire, Jackson, La Crosse, Monroe, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, St. Croix, Trempealeau, Vernon and Washburn Counties
- b) District 2: North Central - State facilities in Adams, Ashland, Bayfield, Clark, Florence, Forest, Iron, Juneau, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Marquette, Oneida, Portage, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, Taylor, Vilas, Waushara and Wood Counties.
- c) District 3: Fox Valley - State facilities in Brown, Calumet, Dodge, Door, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Menominee, Oconto, Outagamie, Shawano, Sheboygan, Waupaca and Winnebago Counties.
- d) District 4: (Reserved)
- e) District 5: Milwaukee and Southeast - State facilities in Milwaukee, Jefferson, Kenosha, Ozaukee, Racine, Walworth, Washington and Waukesha Counties.
- f) District 6: State facilities in Columbia, Dane, Grant, Green, Iowa, Lafayette, Richland, Rock and Sauk Counties and all state offices located outside of the State of Wisconsin.
- g) District 7: All WPEC-represented employees at the UWHCA.
- h) District 8: All Associate Members.

**Section 2:** Each district shall hold an annual meeting between 30 to 60 days before the annual Convention. The district representative shall chair the annual meeting. At such meeting, in even-numbered years, those present shall elect a district representative by secret ballot. Candidates for district representation of Districts 1 through 7 may only be nominated by regular members. Candidates for district representation of District 8 may only be nominated by Associate Members. Procedures for elections shall be made in accordance with Article VI, Section 2, except that nominations shall be made not less than seven days before the annual district meeting, and petitions for nomination are not required. The person receiving a majority of votes cast shall be elected district representative for that district. If no candidate receives a majority, a secret ballot run-off election will be held between the candidates receiving the two

(2) top vote totals. The winning candidate must achieve a majority of run-off ballots cast. Those elected shall be installed in office upon adjournment of the convention.

**Section 5:** In order to serve as a district representative for Districts 1 through 7, a person must have a dues authorization card on file with the Union for at least 30 days before the date of the annual district meeting. In order to serve as a district representative for District 8, a person must be a dues-paying Associate Member.

**Section 7:** 2013 Special Election of District 8 representative. The first District 8 representative will be elected in a special election immediately following the 2013 WPEC Annual Convention. The representative elected shall serve a special one-year term of office. Procedures for this election shall be made in accordance with Article VI, Section 2, except that nominations shall be made at the meeting and petitions for nomination are not required.