Resolution: Move to Mail Ballots for Elections

Whereas, the union should be a model of democracy where all members are encouraged to vote by as many accessible means as are technically feasible, and

Whereas, the goal is to engage members, giving every member the opportunity to review candidates and vote by as many secure means as possible, and therefore

Whereas, voting procedures could be similar to contract ratification voting procedures in sending a secret ballot by mail to all members, for officer and At-Large council member elections (except District representatives), and

Whereas, “none of the above” could be a choice, and instant run-off procedures could be used to choose the winning candidates, and

Whereas, ballots along with candidate statements and pictures of the candidates could be included with the mailed ballot, therefore

Be it resolved, that the WPEC will change the election method for union officers and executive council members from in-person voting at the Convention to mailed ballots to all members, and the sense of this body is that we need to amend our Constitution to make this change task the Constitution Committee to study and recommend the method for union officers and executive council members to be elected by mail via mail or electronic ballot.