

Sec. 78. Annual Meeting; Selection of Members to Retirement Board; Transaction of Business; Notice of Meeting; Certification of Delegates; Conduct of Election; Nominating Procedures; Referendum. [MCL 38.1545].

- (1) The Retirement Board shall call an annual meeting of the Retirement System for the purpose of selecting members of the Retirement Board and the transaction of such other business as the Retirement Board determines. Notice of the annual meeting shall be sent to each participating municipality and court, by registered mail, at least 30 days before the date of the meeting. Notice of the annual meeting shall be sent to each retiree at least 30 days before the date of the meeting.
- (2) The governing body of each participating municipality shall certify the names of 2 delegates to the annual meeting. One delegate shall be a member who is an officer of the participating municipality, selected by the governing body of the participating municipality. The other delegate shall be a member who is not an officer of the participating municipality, elected by the member employees of the participating municipality. The election shall be by secret ballot and shall be conducted by an officer of the participating municipality. The election shall be conducted in a manner that affords each member employee an opportunity to vote.
- (3) The chief judge of each participating court shall certify the names of 2 delegates to the annual meeting. One delegate shall be a member who is an officer of the participating court, selected by the chief judge of the participating court. The other delegate shall be a member who is not an officer of the participating court, elected by the member employees of the participating court. The election shall be by secret ballot and shall be conducted by an officer of the participating court. The election shall be conducted in a manner that affords each member employee an opportunity to vote.
- (4) The nomination of candidates for election to the Retirement Board shall be made pursuant to procedures established by the Retirement Board and adopted by the delegates to an annual meeting of the Retirement System. A nomination for the position of officer board member shall be made by a member who is an officer of a participating municipality or of a court. A nomination for the position of employee board member shall be made by a member who is not an officer of a participating municipality or of a court.
- (5) The Retirement Board shall hold a referendum of the assembled delegates to elect members of the Retirement Board. The referendum shall be conducted pursuant to procedures established by the Retirement Board and adopted by the delegates to an annual meeting of the Retirement System. An individual elected to the Retirement Board shall become a member of the Retirement Board on the January 1 immediately following the referendum.