

MHSLA Nominating Committee

Annual Report

2007-2008

The Nominating Committee conferred by telephone and email to develop a slate of potential candidates for the offices of President-Elect and Treasurer. Local Area groups were contacted for candidates for the Nominating committee. A notice was sent out to the MHSLA Listserv asking for volunteers to run for all of these offices.

The Slate of Candidates was presented to the MHSLA Board for approval at the July Board meeting. The slate was:

President-Elect:	No volunteers
Treasurer:	Jill Turner
Nominating Committee:	John Coffey Mid Michigan
	Sandra Swanson West Michigan
	Mary Fitzpatrick ERHSLA
	No candidate for MDMLG
	No candidate for Upper Peninsula

At the time of the July board meeting none of the nominees for President-Elect were willing to run for the position. The nominating committee once again asked via email and also personally contacted members to run for the President-Elect position. Unfortunately again no one volunteered. After some thought, I volunteered to run for the position. Because it was so late in the election process it was too late to send out a preliminary slate. The board voted via email to send out the ballot without having sent out a preliminary slate. The ballots were sent out on August 27, 2008.

As Chair of the Nominating committee, excused myself from opening and counting the ballots because I was running for office. The ballots were counted on October 6, 2008.

The Elections committee consisted of Arlene Weismantel and Heidi Schroeder. 111 ballots were received before the deadline. There was one write-in vote cast. The President was notified of the results so that she could notify the candidates. The results will be announced at the General Business Meeting on October 19, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Bryant
Nominations Chair