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ASSOCIATION INFORMATION

IATE is a professional organization for teachers of English/language arts. IATE publishes the *IATE Newsletter* and the *Illinois English Bulletin* and hosts an annual fall conference. IATE is organized by districts throughout the state, each district having a district leader and providing local activities to members throughout the year.

IATE also maintains standing committees that address a number of professional interests and works with other professional organizations to further the interests of teachers. Composed of nearly 1,000 teachers throughout the state, IATE provides a working network for the exchange of teaching tips, current research, and professional development as well as enduring friendships.

PUBLICATION INFORMATION

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The Executive Council of the Illinois Association of Teachers of English (IATE) have amended Section 4 of Article II (Duties of Officers) of the By-Laws. The By-Laws previously read:

SECTION 4. *Eligibility.* (A) To be eligible for office, an individual must have been a member for at least five years preceding the year in which nominated. (B). The Nominating Committee shall select for President one of the following: the First Vice President or the Second Vice President. If none of these will accept, the nomination shall be made from among the members of the Executive Council.

The amended version includes this **addition** to Article II Section 4:

(C) If the Nominating Committee, after applying the procedures of clause (B) for the office of President, is unable to present a nominee for one or more offices, the Executive Council may waive the eligibility requirement of five years of membership in order to permit the nomination of any otherwise eligible IATE. member. This option is intended to be a measure of last resort and should not become a regular practice.

The Constitution requires that the proposed amendment be published in the IATE Newsletter prior to a vote at the general meeting of the membership. Therefore, we are publishing this special edition of the *Newsletter*.

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