



House of Delegates 2026 Election Frequently Asked Questions

Which positions are elected by the House of Delegates (HOD)?

The HOD elects the Speaker of the House/AAPA Vice President, First Vice Speaker/AAPA Director and Second Vice Speaker/AAPA Director (collectively referred to as House Officers). The House Officers are required to submit candidate applications and meet eligibility criteria prior to the election, which takes place at the annual House of Delegates meeting. House Officer candidates may be endorsed by the Nominating Committee (NomCom).

Three members of the Nominating Committee will also be elected by the HOD. NomCom candidates are encouraged to pre-declare their candidacy. However, NomCom candidates may also declare their candidacy from the floor of the HOD.

How will the House Officer and Nominating Committee (NomCom) Elections take place?

The elections will be conducted at the 2026 HOD meeting taking place May 15-17 in New Orleans, La., in accordance with the HOD Standing Rules and procedures established by the Governance Committee.

Who are eligible HOD voters?

Eligible voters for House Officers are voting members of the House of Delegates who are present and seated at the time of the election.

All eligible HOD voters must be AAPA members as of April 30-May 2 to participate in the election, depending on the final HOD meeting agenda.

When will the HOD ballot be open?

HOD voting will occur in accordance with the meeting agenda established by the House Officers.