

## 2021 DDGM Election Process Timeline

- Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup>** The completed and digitally signed "2021 Eligible Candidates Form - Office of DDGM final" must be submitted to the current DDGM. No exceptions.
- The current DDGM must validate the eligibility of each nominee (according to the Constitution of Grand Lodge)
- Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>** Hamilton B District Spring Meeting via GoTo Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.
- Using the submitted forms, the nominations for the office of the DDGM will be announced,
  - the Nominees will announce if they will decline or allow their name to stand for election (on-line), and
  - the DDGM completes the "District Eligible Candidates Form" with the name(s) of the eligible Past Masters allowing their name to stand for election to the office of DDGM for the Hamilton B District.
  - Ballots will not allow for a write-in names in 2021 (no last minute nominations)
- Tuesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>** Deadline for the submission of the "District Eligible Candidates Form" AND the coinciding "2021 Eligible Candidates Form" to Grand Lodge.

**Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. EST until Thursday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. EST**

### On-Line Voter Registration

- Past Masters, Current Worshipful Masters & Wardens and Affiliate members in one of these offices.
- Registration will require the voter to supply:
  - ✓ Last Name,
  - ✓ Given Names,
  - ✓ Grand Lodge Certificate Number, and
  - ✓ Lodge Number.

### Registration is required to:

- obtain the voter contact information (email address),
- validate the voter eligibility,
- assign every eligible voter to the Lodge/District in which he is an active member in good standing,
- will allow an affiliated member to select which Lodge/District he wishes to vote in,
- assign unique Voter ID, and
- distribute any election communications required.

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**Friday, June 18<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:00 a.m. EST until Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. EST**

### On-Line Voting for the DDGM will take place

Voters will click on a unique Voter ID link in the ballot notice emailed to them prior to the election.

- Voting Groups (i.e. Districts) will be used to create specific ballots for the 41 Districts.
- A voter registered in a Lodge in a District will see only the ballot applicable to his District.
- Ballots will not allow for a write-in names in 2021 (no last minute nominations).
- Results will be distributed to all voters as soon as they are available
- Should a tie vote result, the Grand Master will cast the deciding ballot.