

- Convention may be elected by each affiliated local having a membership of twenty-five (25) or less.
- b. For each additional fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof, an additional delegate may be elected.
 - c. Each AFT Connecticut Retiree Chapter, including the AFT Connecticut "At-large" Chapter, shall be entitled to elect one delegate to the AFT Connecticut Delegate Assembly and one delegate to the AFT Connecticut Annual Convention. This delegate shall be entitled to one vote.
 - d. Those members for whom one-half or more dues are paid shall be counted as full dues paying members.

Section 5 For the purpose of this Article, membership shall mean the average number on which the per capita has been paid for the first twelve months of the fourteen month period immediately preceding the month in which the Convention meets provided that:

- a. ~~No local in arrears for two months~~ **Only Locals in Good Standing** at the time of the Convention shall be entitled to representation. Per capita is due and payable on or before the fifteenth of each month for that month. (A local is in arrears if the local's dues have not been paid on the sixteenth (16th) day of the month that the per capita payment was due.)
- b. **Notwithstanding Article VIII, Section 1a and Section 2, Article IX Section 5a, Article X Section 3; in the event the Convention is held on a date later than the 15th day of the month, a Local shall be considered in good standing and be entitled to representation at the Convention if said Local is two months in arrears on the date of the Convention. (For example: per capita not paid in April and also not paid by May 15, said Local remains in good standing for purposes of representation at Convention if Convention is held between May 16-May 31) This provision is limited to representation at the Convention. Any Local in arrears for two months shall revert to its appropriate status on the date after the Convention pursuant to Article VIII and Article X, Section 3.**
- c. In the case of locals which have been chartered during the year preceding the Convention, the average shall be computed on the basis of the number of months of affiliation, the minimum for such computation to be two (2) months.

- a. Any officer can, with the approval of the President and the Executive Committee, take a voluntary reduction in hours with prorated benefits and salary. Healthcare and eye benefits will remain at 100%.

Section 5 Nomination and Election

- a. A member who is a candidate for a particular AFT Connecticut office shall present to the ~~President~~ **Chair of the Convention Credentials Committee**, a petition indicating the position sought **not later than** ten (10) days before the Convention is scheduled to begin. This petition must contain the signatures of at least twenty-five (25) members of AFT Connecticut in good standing. A second method by which a member may become a candidate for a particular AFT Connecticut office is by presenting to the Credentials Committee Chair by ~~11:00~~ **10:00** a.m. of the day of the election, a petition indicating the name of the particular office being sought and the signatures of at least ten (10) Convention delegates. The delegates to the Convention shall be informed of the names of the candidates for each office. If new positions(s) are created by the Convention, nominations shall be made from the floor.
- b. Each delegate may not cast more than his/her allotted votes (per Article VII) for each of the following officers:
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Secretary/Treasurer.

Each delegate may not cast more than his/her allotted votes (per Article VII) for any individual candidate on the ballot for the eighteen (18) non-Divisional Vice President positions.

ARTICLE VI - DUES

Section 1: Commencing ~~September 1, 2014~~, **July 1, 2020**, dues shall be increased by \$.50 to ~~\$21.13~~ **\$22.13** per member per month.

Commencing ~~September 1, 2015~~ July 1, 2021, dues shall be increased by \$.50 to ~~\$21.63~~ **\$22.63** per member, per month.