

POVB election 2021

The Prison Officers Vocational Branch Executive election is due to commence in March 2021.

This year the Public Service Association Executive/Central Council election was meant to take place but because of COVID-19 the State Electoral Commission was closed and could not facilitate the election. This means that this election is taking place in March 2021.

In October 2020 Central Council voted to change the rules to allow the PSA Executive and Central Council election to take place in March 2021.

It also means the CPSU Federal election is delayed until after the PSA Executive /Central Council election.

The POVB Executive proposed to the PSA Executive that the POVB Executive election be moved forward, as if delayed past the other elections, it would mean that ours would not take place until around September 2021.

The PSA Executive met on Monday, 7 December 2020 and it was agreed that the process will be as follows:

- Call for Nominations 2021 will be in January 2021 Red Tape.
- The positions will be for:

Chair

Vice Chair

Country Vice Chair (2)

Overseer Vice Chair

Secretary

Assistant Secretary

Persons nominated must be members of the above branch and be financial members of the Association as at 18 January 2021.

Nominations and closing date

Each nomination must be seconded by two other persons from the branch who are financial members of the Association as at 18 January 2021.

 Nominations must be submitted via Survey Monkey www.surveymonkey.com/r/StateExecutive POVB 2021

The Survey Monkey link for nominations will be emailed to all eligible members on **Monday**, **25 January 2021**.

Nominations will close on **Sunday, 7 February 2021**. Forms must be completed via Survey Monkey by **5pm on 7 February 2021**.









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- If there is a ballot, candidates who wish to have a profile available for voters to read should provide a brief statement of 300 words or less stating how they will best represent members' interests.
 - Space is provided for this purpose on the form available through Survey Monkey.
- Electronic ballot, if required, will commence Monday, 15 February 2021.
- The Electronic ballot will close on 28 February 2021.
- Election results will be announced the week of 8 March 2021. This will give the nominees time to have their scrutineers, if requested, go over the election results.

The POVB Executive did not want to confuse the POVB membership with elections happening at the same time or have ours delayed, as other agencies have been, until September next year.

The POVB election, as stated, will be an electronic election and the PSA Executive/Central Council and CPSU Election will be a postal vote election.

If anyone has any questions in regards to the above information, please contact one of the Executive members.

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