3321.1100 LICENSED BLIND VENDOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

Subpart 1. **Annual election for representatives.** The state licensing agency and the elections subcommittee of the licensed blind vendor management committee must conduct an annual election for representatives to the licensed blind vendor management committee, hereinafter referred to as the "management committee."

Subp. 2. Representation, nominations, and terms.

- A. The management committee must consist of two representatives from each of three program districts. These districts must be designated in the management committee bylaws and, to the extent possible, must be fully representative of all licensed blind vendors in the business enterprises program on the basis of geography and vending facility type with a goal of providing for proportional representation of blind vendors on federal property and blind vendors on other property.
- B. Nominations for two representatives must be solicited in each district for that district starting with and only for the 2012 election for representatives taking office in 2013. After each district has elected two representatives, each representative must be assigned by flip of coin either seat A or B for their district. Seat A must serve a one-year term and seat B must serve a two-year term. Nominations for subsequent elections must be for one representative from each district each year. The intent is to ensure no more than one seat from each district be up for election each year.
 - C. Elections must be by licensed blind vendors in each district for their district.
- D. Each term, with the exception of the three representatives in the first election as described in item B must be two years, with a limit of two successive terms.
- E. The management committee shall elect its own chair and other officers. The chair shall appoint subcommittees as necessary.
- F. The management committee must meet a minimum of four times a year. Meetings may be called by notice of either the state licensing agency or the chair of the management committee. Subcommittees may meet as necessary to carry on their functions.
- G. The management committee shall establish bylaws to further govern the functions of the management committee.
- Subp. 3. **Duties of management committee.** The management committee's duties are to:
- A. actively participate with the state licensing agency in major administrative decisions and policy and program development affecting the overall administration of all business enterprises;

- B. receive and transmit grievances of licensed blind vendors to the state licensing agency and serve as their advocates;
- C. actively participate with the state licensing agency in the administration of the transfer and promotion system for licensed blind vendors;
- D. actively participate with the state licensing agency in developing training and retraining programs;
- E. sponsor, with the assistance of the state licensing agency, meetings and instructional conferences for licensed blind vendors; and
- F. actively participate with the state licensing agency in the administration of licensed blind vendor leave requests.

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