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The Next NEC meeting is January 30-31, 2015

The next NEC meeting will be held in Sacramento, California, at the Downtown LaQuinta, 200 Jibboom St. Meeting will start January 30 at 7:00 pm.

CALL TO CLUBS FOR AGENDA ITEMS: [Click here for Agenda Items Form](#)

Please complete as soon as possible.

Dec 10: Clubs e-mail Agenda Items to RD's.

Dec 26: Agenda Items from RD's due at AVA National Headquarters.

Jan 2: Final list of Agenda Items sent to AVA Clubs.

Officer's Reports and Committee reports: [Click here for Officer Report Form](#)

[Click here for Committee Report Form](#)

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Jan 2: Officer's & Committee Reports due at AVA National Headquarters.

Jan 8: Meeting data information package e-mailed to NEC members.

DEADLINE DATES PUSHED FORWARD FOR AVA OFFICER NOMINATIONS FOR 2015-2017 TERM

Candidates for an AVA officer position will have additional time to complete their materials and meet deadlines in the two-step application process from those reported in the Oct/Nov *Checkpoint*. The new dates will be more in alignment with the arrival of *The American Wanderer* (TAW) that contains additional information to assist applicants with submitting materials. The election of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer will still occur at the National Convention in Salem, OR on June 19, 2015. Those elected would serve from July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2017.

Nominating Committee Chair, Doug Reynolds (Northeast Regional Director) stated that candidates must still successfully complete both Steps in the process via Emails.

- The **First Step** is for the candidate to just submit a "**Letter of Intent**", only by E-mail, no later than midnight (his/her local time) **December 15, 2014 (the new date)**. The brief "Letter" need only include: Office being sought; Candidate's Name; Official mailing address; Phone number; and E-mail address. Electronic submission of the "Letter" is to the Chair, Doug Reynolds (dougreynolds@juno.com). A confirmation of receipt will be sent via E-mail, as well as an attachment of "Election Guidelines for Officer Candidates". A late submission of the "Letter" will cease further considered for Step 2 in the process.

- The **Second Step** is for the candidate to submit a “**Nomination Package**”, only by E-mail, no later than midnight (his/her local time) **December 31, 2014 (the new date)**. The “Package” must be consistent with the information in the “Guidelines for Officer Candidates” but, basically, must contain two items: A biographical article for *The American Wanderer* newspaper (of no more than 500 words); and a photo of the candidate. The “Guidelines” will also contain information regarding campaigning. Electronic submission of the “Package” is to the Chair, Doug Reynolds (dougreynolds@juno.com). A confirmation of receipt will be sent via E-mail. Late submission of the “Package” will cease further consideration in this process. At the convention, nominations may still be made from the floor.

For additional information, contact the Chair via E-mail, or phone (518-229-1141). Please be sure to review the article in the Dec/Jan issue of *The American Wanderer* (TAW), “Election Guidelines for NEC XIX Officer Candidates” that will provide assistance in completing the narrative (e.g. rules for word count; and if 500 words are exceeded), as well as details for the photo. Also, see the AVA Bylaws: Article V – Officers 5.1 - 5.7 at the AVA web site (www.ava.org; select “Administrative”; “General Admin”; “Publications/Policies”; & then “AVA Bylaws”.)

From HQ Events – Nov 15 deadlines

Information on all those who missed the deadline will be sent to the Regional Directors.

It's Time to Walk – 10.11.12.13.14

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