



## American Connemara Pony Society Region IV Region IV Election Policy and Procedures

At the ACPS Region IV meeting on March 25, 2000, it was proposed that Region IV adopt the structure of a Regional Committee to serve as our Governing body. The Regional Committee idea is modeled after the method Region I has been using with success for years:

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## Purpose for a Regional Committee:

- To give more members the opportunity to become involved in ACPS and Regional matters.
- To share the responsibility and lighten the burden among governing members.
- To help prepare members for service as Regional Chairman.
- To take the mystery out of ACPS service and leadership.
- To provide checks and balances within the Regional governing group.

**Policy:** Once approved by a vote of the membership, the Regional Committee will select, from within their group, one person to serve as the Regional Chair (for a recommended maximum 2-year term) and one person to serve as Regional Secretary (for an unlimited term). They will each agree, as committee members, to work to represent ACPS members in Regional matters, to facilitate communications within the Region, to foster the cohesiveness of the Region and to support Regional activities. They would accept an understanding that their service on the committee is, in part, preparing each member to step into the role of Regional Chair if called.

**Procedure:** Each May-June, the Region IV Nominating Committee will propose a slate of names for the Regional Committee for the members' consideration. After a comment period, additional names may be added or replaced by the Nominating Committee, upon request by the membership. Then in July, the names of the Regional Committee will be presented to the ACPS Region IV members for approval by vote. Following the same time line, the Treasurer will be nominated and elected.

## \*\*\*\**EXAMPLE*\*\*\*\*

The members of the Nominating Committee for this year (	) are :
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The comment period, as published in the Region IV Newslette	er, ended
The nominees for the proposed ACPS Region IV Region	nal Committee are
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The following member(s) is/are running for Regional Treasure	er:
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Please review the attached biographical com	ments from each nominee.
Register your vote for these nominees on the	enclosed ballot.
Mail your ballot to the address on the ballot. The ballots mus be included in the count. The results will be announced at the	e next ACPS Region IV meeting and dinner,
to be held at at in conjunction with the Region IV Horse Show. Please plan to	, o join us!