

The process to fill vacancies on the BTE association's Board of Directors. This issue is addressed in Section 4.9 of the association's bylaws which are stated below. I've attached a copy of the bylaw document I am referencing, and believe this is the most current version. If it is not, please send me a copy of the most recent version.

**4.9 Vacancies.** Any vacancy occurring with respect to a director elected by the Members shall be filled by the Board and serve the balance of the term unless the next regularly scheduled election is sooner.

According to this language, if a Board member who was previously elected by the association's members were to resign or otherwise leave the Board, the remaining Board members would appoint someone to fill the vacancy. The basic idea here is that the association must have a Board of Directors, and some Directors may not be able to serve their full term of office. In these instances, the association should not be forced to operate with less than a full complement of Board members. As a result, the remaining Board members can fill the vacancy. A person who is appointed to the Board in this fashion would either serve out the remainder of the term he/she is filling, or would stand for election at the next regularly scheduled meeting, giving the members an opportunity to vote on this person's continued service on the Board.

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