



CHAPTER ELECTIONS NOMINATION PERIOD OPEN NOW

Count day tentatively set for Oct. 1 for mail-in election

Chapter elections will be held by mail again this year, [like they were in 2019](#). If you'd like to run for chapter office, you must accept your nomination by Aug. 6.

Complete details on this year's election process are in [this letter](#).

Here's what you should know:

- According to the MCO bylaws, members who have been in good standing for at least two years are automatically nominated (see your union bulletin board for a posting with the language). To accept your nomination and get your name on your chapter's ballot, email nominations@mco-seiu.org by Aug. 6.

- Notice of the nomination period and a list of your chapter's election committee is posted on your union bulletin board. You can also [read the notice here](#).

- The election count day is tentatively scheduled for Oct. 1 at the MCO Central Office in Lansing. This time frame is being moved back from September to allow time for ballots to be mailed to members and returned.

- Article 19 of the [MCO Bylaws](#) govern how chapter officers are elected. Section 5(a) specifies that these elections may be conducted by mail at the discretion of the State Executive Board.

If you have recently moved, now is the time to update your home address to make sure you get a ballot when it's time to vote. [Update your contact information on our website](#) or call the MCO Central Office at (517)485-3310. If you have questions, please contact stephanie@mco-seiu.org.

DDC OFFICER RECUPERATING FROM ASSAULT

A detainee at the Detroit Detention Center punched a corrections officer in the face Monday night as he was being escorted to a cell.

The officer fell to the floor, but he stood up and called for help.

The detainee had been arrested for assaulting two police officers. DDC administration had not been made aware, an officer said.

The detainee was charged with

assault. The officer is recovering at home and has not returned to work.

At DDC, MDOC corrections officers staff the jail. DDC COs deal with detainees who, moments earlier, committed serious crimes, or are experiencing a mental health crisis. The dangers DDC staff face may be different than those of officers in prisons, but still serious. Please wish this CO a quick recovery.



Did you know MCO union dues must be reauthorized every year? This means if you

reauthorized last summer or early fall, you need to reauthorize again! [Learn how.](#)

Reminder: Crisis Fund Golf Outing Sept. 10

There are still several openings for teams at the Crisis Fund Golf Outing in Lansing. Get yours before they're gone! The cost is \$70 per player and includes a cart, 18 holes, free driving range, drinks, and lunch.

Even if you don't golf, you can help. Sponsorships are available starting at \$25.

To golf or sponsor, get a [pamphlet on our website](#).

The [Crisis Fund](#) assists dues-paying members grappling with a disaster, such as an on-the-job injury, sudden illness, or other devastating event.

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Reminder: COPS Day at the Ionia Free Fair is Wednesday, July 21! Complete details are on our [Facebook page](#).