

BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMPOSITION AND ELECTIONS

A.C.A. § 24-7-301

The general administration and proper operation of the System is vested in the Board of Trustees that consists of eleven (11) elected members and four (4) ex-officio members. Pursuant to A.C.A. § 24-7-301, the Board shall adopt rules and regulations regarding the election of trustees and vacancies.

I. GENERAL RULES FOR CANDIDACY AND VOTING IN TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

- A.** For purposes of eligibility for an active member trustee position and voting “active members” shall mean active members as defined in A.C.A. § 24-7-202(2) and members participating in T-DROP, if employed by a participating employer and receiving T-DROP plan deposits.
- B.** If a candidate is employed in more than one position with a participating employer(s), eligibility shall be determined based on his/her primary position for which he/she receives the greater percentage of covered salary.
- D.** For purposes of eligibility for a licensed trustee position or voting for that position, “licensure” shall mean a person employed in a position requiring state teaching licensure or an education institution grade C117-C126 and not an administrator.

II. QUALIFICATION AND VOTER ELIGIBILITY FOR ELECTED TRUSTEE POSITIONS

There shall be four (4) active member trustees each of whom will represent one of the four congressional districts in Arkansas.

A. Active Member Trustee Position Nos. 1-4 - Congressional Districts

- 1. Qualifications for Candidacy
 - i. Active member with a minimum of five (5) years of actual service.
 - ii. Employed by a participating employer located in the congressional district for which he/she is seeking election.
 - iii. Employed in a position requiring state teaching licensure or the equivalent under these rules.
- 2. Eligible Voters for Trustee Positions Nos. 1-4

Active members, regardless of credited service, employed by participating employers located in the respective congressional districts and who are otherwise eligible to be a candidate under subsection 1.A.iii above.