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ABSENTEE BALLOTING INSTRUCTIONS

All Active and Life members of the North Carolina Speech, Hearing and Language Association have the privilege and responsibility of voting in Association elections. Since these elections are held during each annual convention, the Association's By-Laws assure that voting members unable to attend the Annual Business Meeting may exercise their right to vote through absentee balloting.

The absentee ballot you requested for the 2010 NCSHLA election is printed on the back of these instructions. Candidate information is published in the Spring issue of *Communiqué* so that absentee voters may cast an informed ballot. Please mark your ballot and return it sealed in the enclosed envelope by April 1, 2010. Ballots postmarked after that date will not be counted.

Should you later decide to attend the 2010 convention, you must inform convention registration personnel that your absentee ballot is to be destroyed, thus permitting you to vote at the Annual Business Meeting.

Please read the following procedures carefully and cast your ballot.

ABSENTEE BALLOTING PROCEDURES

1. Each voting member requesting an absentee ballot by March 1, 2009, will receive a ballot and numbered return-addressed envelope, along with balloting instructions and the deadline for return of the completed ballot to the NCSHLA Central Office. The member's name will NOT appear on the ballot or the envelope.
2. No absentee ballots will be distributed after April 1, 2010, either by mail or at the convention.
3. A confidential list of voting members requesting an absentee ballot will be kept at the NCSHLA Central Office and then taken to convention registration for later cross-referencing.
4. If a member who voted by absentee ballot later registers for the convention, the absentee ballot will be destroyed by the Nominations Committee, so that only the vote cast by that member at the Annual Business Meeting will be counted.
5. All valid absentee ballots--still numbered and sealed--will be placed in a sealed envelope and handed to the Chair of the Nominations Committee at the start of the Annual Business Meeting for inclusion in the official election vote count.

ABSENTEE BALLOT ON REVERSE - RETURN BY April 1, 2010.

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL ELECTION OF NCSHLA OFFICERS
April 23, 2010

FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT
(vote for one)

Kathleen T. Cox
 Tracie Rice

FOR VICE-CHAIR OF CONVENTION
COMMITTEE
(vote for one)

Kristen Cline
 Julia Johnoff
 Lisa H. Pruitt

FOR BOARD MEMBER-AT-LARGE
(vote for two)

Donna M. Brown
 Lisa Hayes Forster
 Tomma S. Hargraves
 Lori J. Kincannon

FOR VICE-CHAIR OF FALL CONFERENCE
COMMITTEE (vote for one)

Laurie Garner
 Holly Ann Hanley

FOR CHAIR OF NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE
(vote for one)

Laura Harris Trogdon
 Jennifer P. Van Gilder

SECRETARY
(vote for one)

Donna Richmond
 Amy Sherman

CHAIR OF FINANCE COMMITTEE
(vote for one)

Beth B. Griffin
 Rita Thurman

RETURN IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE, POSTMARKED BY APRIL 1, 2010