special congregational meeting by a vote of a majority of the qualified voters present.

(3) Notice of intent to adopt or repeal.

Notice of the intent to adopt by-laws, or to amend, modify or repeal such by-laws, contemplated by this sub-section shall be given pursuant to the provisions of Section 288C (a) of this sub-heading or the Parish by-laws.

(4) By-laws to be recorded.

Such by-laws when adopted and any amendment, modification or repeal thereof, shall be recorded either in the minute book or record of by-laws, and shall be open to inspection at all reasonable times by any member or qualified voter of the Parish.

- (f) Challenged nominations.
- If, in the course of the election of any Vestryman, other officer or delegate, the qualifications of any person for such office is challenged, the question shall be resolved by judges selected from one of the groups stipulated in Section 288B (d) of this sub-heading to decide qualifications of voters.
- (g) Perpetuation of continuity of the Vestry—vacancy—term of successor.

Upon the death of any member of the Vestry, other than the Rector, or upon the resignation, refusal to serve, or other disqualification, of any Vestrymen, unless otherwise provided by the by-laws of the Parish, the Vestry shall fill such vacancy by a majority vote of the remaining Vestrymen then in office.

The successor so appointed shall serve until the term of the member who shall have died, resigned, refused to serve, or become disqualified, has expired.

- (h) Vestrymen to hold office until successors are elected and qualified.
- All Vestrymen, whenever and however elected or appointed, shall hold office until their successors are elected and have qualified.
- (i) Election of lay delegates to Convention—when Vestry shall choose delegates—may be instructed.

At the annual congregational meeting, or a special meeting called for the purpose, unless otherwise provided by the by-laws of the Parish, the qualified voters of the Parish, at least ten days before the convening of the next annual Convention, shall elect from among those so qualified to vote, such lay delegate and an alternate to the Convention as the constitution and canons of the Diocese may provide, the seat of which said delegate or alternate in said Convention, however, shall be subject always to the provisions of said constitution and/or any general and diocesan canonical mandate.

If, for any reason, the qualified voters fail to elect a delegate and alternate, or if either or both cannot serve after having been elected, then, and in that event, the Vestry of the Parish shall have power to choose a delegate or alternate or both, as the case may be.

The qualified voters or Vestry, as the case may be, may, or, if required by any general or diocesan canonical mandate, shall instruct