



ENGINEERS &
GEOSCIENTISTS
BRITISH COLUMBIA

POLICY

POLICY	Electing Members at Large to the Executive Committee
NUMBER OF POLICY	CO-16-45
DATE OF POLICY	April 15, 2016
APPROVED BY	Council

ELECTION BALLOT AND TIMING

The election will be conducted each year at the Inaugural meeting of Council via letter ballots prepared in advance of the meeting.

NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTION PRIOR TO THE INAUGURAL COUNCIL MEETING

Nominations must be completed before any balloting takes place. A call for self-nominations will be issued with a deadline for any interested party to place their name on the ballot. This deadline will be ten working days (i.e. excluding weekends and statutory holidays) prior to the Inaugural Council meeting. Council will be advised of the nominees prior to the Inaugural Council meeting via email. There are no formal candidate statements or speeches – nominees are free to contact their fellow Council members on their own prior to the Council meeting.

Unless no nominations have been received prior to the meeting, there will be no nominations from the floor at the Council meeting.

If there is a single nomination for any one of the available positions, then that position will be filled by acclamation.

VOTING BY LETTER BALLOT AT THE INAUGURAL COUNCIL MEETING

A typed ballot will be prepared and distributed at the meeting. A “teller” and independent scrutineer will be appointed by Council to count votes and report back to the Chair.

Ballots are counted by the teller and scrutineer and a report given to the Chair. If one nominee secures more than 50% of the votes cast, the Chair will announce the winner without providing the specific count. If no nominee secures more than 50% of the votes, then a further round of voting between the two nominees with the highest votes will be held. The Chair will announce the winner without providing the specific count. In the case of a tie, the Chair casts the deciding vote. Once the winner has been announced the “teller” will destroy all of the ballots cast.

REVIEW DATES

April 1, 2011 (CO-11-83) – Originally approved by Council

June 24, 2011 (CO-11-122) – Revised and approved by Council

April 11, 2014 (CO-14-61) – Revised and approved by Council

April 15, 2016 (CO-16-45) – Revised and approved by Council