



The McCauley Community League Board is proposing that **Article 6: Voting** and **Article 10: Elections** be amended as follows.

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Existing	Proposed	Rationale
<p>6.1 Any member in good standing as specified in Article 4.1 is entitled to vote at any General, Annual or Special Meeting.</p> <p>6.2 Board of Directors may vote on motions via email as necessary between meetings. Votes by email will only be considered if they are conducted in accordance with the League's email voting policy and if the vote is ratified at the next Board meeting.</p>	<p>No Change</p>	<p>Provided for context</p>
<p>6.3 A show of hands will be adequate for voting on all matters, except for controversial matters in which a secret ballot is required or can be requested.</p>	<p>6.3 A show of hands will be adequate for voting on all matters, except for electing the Board of Directors, and / or for controversial matters in which a secret ballot is deemed necessary. Voting mechanisms that protect voter anonymity will be used.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adapted to accommodate anonymous voting in 10.3 Secret Ballot requires paper, in-person voting; or digital poll voting in the case of virtual meetings. Change is proposed to allow for flexibility with other voting methods as new needs and technology emerge i.e. anonymous polls at online meetings
<p>10.1 Elections of Board of Directors will be held at each Annual General Meeting. Directors will take office immediately following that Annual General Meeting.</p> <p>10.2 A person elected becomes a Director if they were present at the meeting when being appointed or elected, and did not refuse the appointment or nomination. They may also become a Director if they were not present at the meeting, but consented in writing to act as a Director before the appointment or election.</p>	<p>No Change</p>	<p>Provided for context</p>
<p>10.3 The Board is elected as a slate and positions are selected at the first Board of Directors Meeting following the election.</p>	<p>10.3 Members are elected to the Board of Directors by an anonymous majority vote in favour of each individual nominee. Positions are selected at the first Board of Directors Meeting following the election.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removes voting for all nominees as one entire slate, which doesn't allow for voting on individual nominees. The MCL Board has heard from members that they are uncomfortable with an all or none approach to choosing the board members. Currently all voting is public unless it is deemed controversial and secret ballots are requested. Making that request can be awkward amongst neighbours. Change would mean that members would make a 'yes' or 'no' vote for each nominee



		<p>rather than all nominees together.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Change would mean every nominee is voted on, even if there are vacant positions. No one would be acclaimed without membership approval. ● Because members are voting on the suitability of their neighbours to be on the Board, it would be more comfortable and appropriate to do that anonymously.
<p>10.4 N/A</p>	<p>10.4 If there are more nominees receiving a favourable majority than eligible positions, nominees with the highest number of favourable votes will form the Board of Directors. In case of a tie, a second vote will be held for members to choose their preferred nominee(s).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● With the proposed voting system, it is a possibility that more people could receive a 'yes' majority then there are vacant positions on the board. Should that scenario happen we need a mechanism to determine which nominees would form the board. ● It is unlikely that a second vote would be needed, however it is a distant possibility and should a tie occur it would be helpful to have a mechanism already in place.
<p>10.4 At the Annual General Meeting, a maximum of 12 Board Directors will be elected.</p> <p>10.5 Directors will be elected for 2-year terms, for a maximum of three terms in succession. After three consecutive terms, a Director must step down for at least two years.</p> <p>er to provide some continuity, half of the will be elected in even years and half of the will be elected in odd years.</p> <p>10.7 The Board will be comprised of a maximum of 12 Directors and a minimum of 9 Directors. The Board can continue to function for up to six months if the number of Directors drops below 9.</p>	<p>10.5 At the Annual General Meeting, a maximum of 12 Board Directors will be elected.</p> <p>10.6 Directors will be elected for 2-year terms, for a maximum of three terms in succession. After three consecutive terms, a Director must step down for at least two years.</p> <p>10.7 In order to provide some continuity, half of the Directors will be elected in even years and half of the Directors will be elected in odd years.</p> <p>10.8 The Board will be comprised of a maximum of 12 Directors and a minimum of 9 Directors. The Board can continue to function for up to six months if the number of Directors drops below 9.</p>	<p>Changes to numbering due to addition of 10.4</p>