

## **Committee Motion 2024 AGM Voting Proposal**

The Constitution (article 10) sets out the voting procedure for electing members to the Committee but requires the following supplemental process:

- 1. The Secretary is declared the Returning Officer for the election.
- 2. Nominations for the four officers (Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer) and the committee (not less than 3 not more than 7) are called four weeks before the AGM, with nominations closing seven days before the AGM.
- 3. The Returning Officer prepares a report for the AGM, declaring any uncontested positions to be elected and indicating the voting procedure for the contested positions. This report is to be circulated to members before the AGM.
- 4. Any contested positions (i.e. more than one nominee for an officer position or more than seven members nominating for the committee positions) are to be filled by election at the AGM see Note 1 below.
- 5. Proxies are allowed at the AGM using the SEN proxy form and the proxy can vote on behalf of the member represented.
- 6. The vote closes at the start of the AGM.
- 7. A teller is nominated to count the votes and provides the result to the secretary as Returning Officer and the secretary declares the result at the end of the AGM.

## **Notes:**

- 1. In the event there are more than 7 nominations for the 7 committee positions, the members and proxies present at the start of the AGM will receive a ballot paper showing the names of the nominees and will be requested to indicate the nominees the member supports for the positions available. Each vote is of equal value.
- 2. The count will be first-past-the-post so the 7 names with the most votes will be elected. A similar process would be adopted for the Officers if more than one member is nominated for the position.
- 3. Voting must be in person, in the teleconference or by proxy at the AGM only.
- 4. Only financial members of SEN are entitled to attend the AGM and to vote on motions or in elections or to nominate a proxy to attend and vote in the member's absence.