

## American Council of Engineering Companies of Wisconsin

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## **Board of Directors Elections Policy**

The Board of Directors Elections Policy outlines specific details of the elections process mandated by the ACEC WI Bylaws (Article 9). Any changes to this policy shall be cross-checked with the Bylaws to ensure congruency.

- 1. Terms for the Board of Directors shall coincide with the administrative/fiscal year of ACEC WI, July 1 June 30.
- 2. The Nominating Committee is charged with preparing the slate of candidates.
  - a. The Nominating Committee shall convene annually in the fall.
  - b. The Slate of Candidates is due to the Board of Directors for approval at the FY 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Meeting.
  - c. The Slate of Candidates shall be reported to the membership no later than the first business day in April.
- 3. Additional Nominations
  - a. Additional nominations may be made in writing with permission of the nominee.
  - b. The additional nominations must include the endorsement of at least ten (10) Member Firm key contacts.
  - c. Additional nomination must be received at ACEC WI no later than the last business day in April.
- 4. Balloting
  - a. The Nominating Committee shall direct the Chief Operations Officer to prepare ballots.
  - b. The ballot shall:
    - i. Be marked as official ballot.
    - ii. Make no distinction as to the source of the nomination.
    - iii. List the nominee name and firm for each position.
    - iv. Include the firm's voting strength (the current fiscal year index number).
    - v. Provide Instructions for return of the official ballot and the deadline.
  - c. The ballot may be transmitted by mail or email to all the designated key contact at Member Firms entitled to vote no later than the fifth business day in May
  - d. The voting deadline shall be a minimum of 10 business days from the ballot distribution date and no later than the last business day in May.
- 5. Voting
  - a. Ballots must be received at the ACEC WI office by the posted deadline.
  - b. A Member Firm's vote shall equal the firm's ACEC WI index number.
  - c. Firm votes are confidential.
- 6. Tabulation
  - a. The Chief Operations Officer and Past Chair, or their alternates, shall tabulate the returns.
  - b. The tabulation shall be recorded for official record:
    - i. Number of ballots returned
    - ii. Voting strength of ballots returned
    - iii. Total Voting Power
    - iv. Voting Strength received for each nominee

c. Election results shall be reported to the Membership within 15 days following the close of voting.

Adopted by the Board: January 22, 2019