

**2016 Annual General Meeting**

**INDIVIDUAL PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGE TO MODIFY BY-LAW 3.1.7 Counting of the votes**

By-Law	Current Wording	Proposed Wording	Reason	President's Accompanying Information
By-Law 3.1.7	<p><b>3.1.7 Counting of the Votes</b>                      At least 10 days prior to the date of the annual general meeting, the president shall appoint three scrutineers who shall be professional members of the association but not members of council or nominees for election to council. The election shall be decided according to the rules of proportional representation. The method for counting votes shall be that approved by council and on file in the association office. The scrutineers shall provide a report of the results of the voting to the registrar. The report shall be presented at the annual general meeting. The registrar shall retain letter ballots and on-line voting records for a period of 30 days following the annual general meeting, after which they shall be destroyed.</p>	<p><b>3.1.7 Counting of the Votes</b>                      At least <b>30</b> days prior to the date of the annual general meeting, the president shall appoint three scrutineers, <b>from a pool of members who have applied in writing to serve as scrutineers, or failing that invitation process, from the membership and</b> who shall be professional members of the association but not members of council or nominees for election to council. The election shall be decided according to the rules of proportional representation. The method for counting votes shall be that approved by council and on file in the association office. The scrutineers shall provide <b>the</b> report of the results of the voting <b>from the third-party company providing election services</b>, to the registrar. The report shall be presented at the annual general meeting. The <del>scrutineers</del> <b>scrutineer-team</b> shall retain letter ballots and on-line voting records for a period of 30 days following the annual general meeting, after which they shall be destroyed.</p>	<p>When Council takes control of APEGM's election process, and it moves out of the realm of the CEO, these changes will better define the job of the team of scrutineers. Using a third party election services provider and scrutineers external of council will assure the Members that APEGM elections are unequivocal and verifiable.</p>	<p>Existing in-house system is audited by an independent third party. This proposal would increase costs for members without additional security.</p>