

PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
Board Procedure Bylaw No. 2200, 2015

PART 11 - ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

64. CAO to Preside Over Election

- (a) At the first meeting held after November 1 in each year, the Board must elect a Chair and a Vice-Chair. The Vice-Chair has, during the absence, illness or other disability of the Chair, all the powers of the Chair and is subject to all rules applicable to the Chair. If the Chair and the Vice-Chair are not present at the meeting, the Directors present may elect an acting chair who, during the meeting, has all the powers of the Chair and is subject to all rules applicable to the Chair. Each Director present has one vote in each election for office.
- (b) The CAO is to preside from the Chair over the election of the Chair and Vice Chair. The CAO has all the powers and duties of the Chair under this Bylaw and the Act to the extent necessary to conduct the election.

65. Statements by Candidates

Each candidate for election as Chair or Vice Chair may make a statement of not more than two minutes duration before each election.

66. Secret Vote

The election of the Chair and the Vice Chair must be by a secret ballot of the Directors, whose votes are to be recorded on ballot papers prepared and distributed for that purpose by the CAO or designate.

67. Determination of Winner

The winner of an election is to be determined by the CAO in accordance with the following rules:

- (a) Where there are two candidates for a position, the candidate who receives the most votes is the winner of the election.
- (b) Where there are more than two candidates for a position, the candidate who receives more votes than all of the other candidates together is the winner.
- (c) Subject to rule (d) below, where there are more than two candidates for a position and no candidate receives more votes than all of the other candidates together, the candidate who received the least votes is eliminated and another vote is to be held. Voting is to continue as provided in these rules until one candidate receives more votes than all of the other candidates together.
- (d) If two candidates are tied for the least number of votes, the CAO must announce the results of that vote and a second vote must be held. If the second vote results in another tie for the least number of votes, the CAO must toss a coin and the loser of that toss is eliminated as if he or she alone had received the least number of votes. Voting is then to continue as provided in these rules.

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68. CAO to Declare and Record Winner

The CAO must declare the winner of an election by announcing it to the Meeting. The Corporate Officer must record the winner of the election in the minutes for the Meeting at which the election is held.

69. Destruction of Ballots

By unanimous resolution of the Board, the CAO or designate must destroy the ballots cast in an election.