4S BUSINESS MEETING
AGENDA
OCTOBER 9TH 2021 @ 1840 - 2010 EDT

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**Note that motions for voting will come up as polls within zoom. Chair will provide a 10 second warning before the poll closes. The result of each poll will be shared immediately**

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MOTIONS FOR VOTING

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_Motions relating to Item 5: Charter Changes_

See [Proposed Charter Changes for Business Meeting](#) for additional information about these motions.

**VOTE 1: Finance Committee Clause**

NEW PROPOSED CLAUSE TO BE ADDED

_B. 10. There shall be a standing committee on finance responsible for seeking financing options for the Society and reporting to Council and the President on financial matters facing the Society. The Treasurer will be a member._

Motion: That the proposed new clause B.10 establishing the finance committee as a standing committee be added to the Charter.

Zoom poll voting: Agree, Disagree, Abstain

**VOTE 2 & 3: Elections/Nominating Committee Clause**

CURRENT WORDING

_B.10. A nominating committee consisting of the President as chair and four other members of the Society designated by the President, no more than two of whom are officers, shall present to the Society at least six months before the annual meeting at least one nominee for each office to be filled._

NEW WORDING APPROVED BY COUNCIL

_B.11. An elections committee consisting of Council members and other 4S members appointed by the President shall seek nominations from the membership for open elected positions and work with Council and the President to finalize and present to the membership a slate of candidates._

REVISED WORDING PROPOSED BY GARY DOWNEY AND LUCY SUCHMAN

_B.11 A Nominating Committee consisting of Council members and other 4S members appointed by the President shall seek nominations from the membership for open elected positions, consult with Council to develop a slate of candidates, gain its approval for a recommended slate, and present the final slate to the membership._
Motion: That the new wording of B.11 approved by Council be replaced with the revised B.11.

Voting: Agree, Disagree, Abstain

Motion: That the [wording of B.11 endorsed by the Business Meeting] replace the current Charter clause B.10.

Voting: Agree, Disagree, Abstain

VOTE 4: Removal of Current Clauses B.11 and B.12

Eliminate:
Current B.11. Further nominations by petition signed by five members shall be presented to the President at least four months before the annual meeting.
Current B.12. Election shall be by mail ballot, the results to be announced at the annual meeting.

Motion: That the current Clauses B.11 and B.12 be removed from the Charter.

Voting: Agree, Disagree, Abstain

VOTE 5: Change of Council quorum

CURRENT WORDING
B. 4. Seven voting members of the Council constitute a quorum. Voting members of the Council consist of the elected officers, including the President and President-elect, and the second and third year elected 6S representatives. Ex-Officio members of the Council, as specified below, are non-voting members.

NEW WORDING APPROVED BY COUNCIL
B. 4. Nine voting members of the Council constitute a quorum. Voting members of the Council consist of the elected officers, including the President and President-elect, and the second and third year elected 6S representatives. Ex-Officio members of the Council, as specified below, are non-voting members.

Motion: That Clause B.4 of the Charter be changed to increase Council quorum from 7 to 9.

Voting: Agree, Disagree, Abstain
Motions relating to Item 6

VOTE 6: Motion from Gary Downey and Lucy Suchman

A motion to direct Council to affirm that the Secretary and Treasurer retain their authorities under the 4S Charter, initiate searches to fill those positions with qualified replacements other than current Council members and appoint them as soon as possible to three-year terms.

Voting: Agree, Disagree, Abstain

MEETING PROTOCOL

There is a 300-person limit on the zoom room. Business meetings have been approximately 80-100 in recent years so we don’t anticipate any problems, but please arrive on time to ensure you are able to attend. We will be recording the session. You’re welcome to have your video on or off throughout the meeting. Thao Phan will be providing protocol support. If you have any concerns, you can privately message her.

Asking questions:
- Microphones should remain on mute unless you’re speaking
- To ask a question or comment, use the “raise hand” button and the chair will invite you to unmute yourself
- To help us keep to the agenda, please keep your comments succinct
- Priority in the “raise hand” queue will be given to those who have not yet had the opportunity to speak

Voting:
- Attendees will be asked to vote on motions using the zoom polls function
- Options are: Agree, Disagree, Abstain
- Voting is not compulsory
- The chair will give a 10 second warning before voting in each poll closes

Using the chat:
- The chat will be open
- Please do not share images of people, screenshots, or quotes from the chat on social media without asking
- The chat will be monitored by Thao Phan. Any discriminatory behaviour, abuse, or harassment will not be tolerated and will lead to your exclusion from the meeting