

2022 Proposed Amendments to the APEGNB By-Laws

APEGNB Council is proposing several By-Law changes to be discussed and voted on at the Annual Meeting to be held beginning at 2:00 pm on Friday, February 18, 2022.

By-Law 11.1.0

Notice of proposed amendments to the by-laws shall be sent to all persons eligible to attend and vote at an Annual or Special Meeting, at least forty-five days prior to the Annual or Special Meeting. Amendments to the by-laws shall be approved by a two-thirds affirmative vote at an annual or Special Meeting and shall then be sent out for electronic ballot within sixty days to all persons eligible to vote. Such amendments shall become effective only if at least two-thirds of those voting cast their ballots in the affirmative. Only votes of persons entitled to vote shall be counted.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Lia Daborn, CAE, Chief Executive Officer at 1-888-458-8083 Ext #1 or by e-mail at lia@apegnb.com prior to the Annual meeting so the concerns can be provided to the Membership.

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A. Definition of Good Standing

Council is proposing changes to improve the grammar in both the English and French versions of the definition.

B. Council Composition

By-Law amendments are proposed to change At Large Engineering Representation to At Large Representation. The purpose of this proposed change is enable greater engagement and representation from the Geoscience members.

C. Scrutineers

The By-Laws outline the protocol for Council elections including the roles of the Secretary and scrutineers.

Elections are currently carried out by electronic ballot using a third-party service provider (currently ClearPicture Corporation). Given that scrutineers are no longer able to, or required to, count paper ballots nor prepare a scrutineers' report, Council is proposing amendments, as appropriate, to reflect current practices.

Amendments are proposed to transfer responsibility from the scrutineers to the Secretary.

D. Electronic Images of Professional Seals

APEGNB currently issues an undated physical seal to Members upon initial registration. Licences are issued physical seals dated for the calendar year in which they are registered. Professional seals are the property of the Association but are paid for by the Registrant.

The Association is currently investigating options for the issuance of an electronic image of the seal to supplement or replace the physical seal. Since not all Registrants use the seal, it is also considering the issuance of seals on an as-requested basis.

Amendments are proposed to allow issuance of seals on an as-requested basis.