

Election Teller Motion — 1

Moved: Stratton

Seconded: _____

Whereas,

Open, honest and fair elections for Directors, Vice Directors and Section Managers are integral to good governance and the continuing support of the ARRL by its Members;

Whereas,

The current limitations on the right of candidates and Members to be present or represented during the counting of ballots for the election of Directors, Vice Directors and Section Managers is not consistent with the ARRL's policies of openness and fairness;

It is accordingly resolved:

That By-Law 25 of the By-Laws of The American Radio Relay League, Inc. is amended as follows:

20. (a) Ballots, to be counted, must reach the address established for their return no later than noon Eastern Time on the third Friday of November of the election year. The Ethics and Elections Committee shall appoint a committee of three tellers including at least one Director and shall arrange to have a certified public accountant present to certify the results of the balloting. No outer envelopes marked as containing ballots shall be opened until the meeting of the committee of tellers held for the purpose of counting the ballots. The committee of tellers shall meet at the headquarters office of the League as soon thereafter as possible and in the presence of each other shall open the envelopes containing ballots and shall count the vote, after first eliminating the ballot of anyone disqualified from voting.

(b) Alternatively, the Ethics and Elections Committee may arrange for the distribution of ballots and tabulation of results by a qualified and disinterested entity provided that the tabulation is observed by a representative of the Committee and the qualified and disinterested entity attests to the accuracy of its tabulations. Upon completion of the ballot count and/or receipt of the attested ballot tabulation, a report of the results of the vote shall be prepared and signed, in the name of the Ethics and Elections Committee, declaring duly elected as Director the candidate in each division receiving the greatest number of votes therein; and all records and ballots shall be turned over to the Secretary for presentation at the next annual meeting of the Board of Directors.

(c) A candidate for election as Director, Vice Director or Section Manager is entitled to be present, subject to the provisions of this By-Law, during the counting of the ballots for the election in which he or she is a candidate, without regard to whether the ballots are counted in accordance with Paragraph 20(a) or 20(b) of this By-Law.

(d) Any candidate qualified to be present during the counting of the ballots for the election at which he or she is a candidate, must notify the Secretary of the ARRL in writing no later than 48 hours before the time and date that the ballots for that candidate's election are to be counted. Notice by email to the email address of the Secretary of the ARRL is sufficient notice.

(e) A candidate may designate up to two Members of the ARRL to either represent the candidate at the counting of the ballots, if the candidate does not or is unable to attend the counting of the ballots, or to attend and observe the counting of the ballots with the candidate. Such designation must be provided to the Secretary of the ARRL in accordance with Paragraph 20(d) of this By-Law.

(f) A Member designated by a candidate pursuant to Paragraph 20(e) of this By-Law must be and have been a Member in good standing of the ARRL for at least 180 days prior to the counting of the ballots for which the Member is designated.

(g) Attendance by any candidate at the counting of the ballots for the candidate's race will be at the sole expense of the candidate.

Cost: Minimum IT time to update website and associated corporate records, all of which can be performed as routine maintenance and updates.