

**Article VIII**  
**Board of Directors Elections and Vacancies**

**Section 1. Election Process for Directors:**

**Amended by a Board of Directors Majority Vote on August 27, 2026 to Add:**

**4.4 Electronic Voting**

**4.4.1 Authorization**

The Board has hereby approved and implemented an electronic voting system that will allow for secret balloting like the paper voting now in place. Wherever these bylaws reference a written paper ballot or their use, it shall be construed to include the electronic voting method, which shall be considered written ballots under these bylaws.

**4.4.2 System Use**

Members shall not be required to use the electronic balloting system. Any member who prefers a paper ballot may elect to continue receiving a paper ballot.

**4.4.3 Distribution & Return**

Electronic ballots shall be delivered and returned electronically and tallied through the electronic voting system. Deadlines for return shall be set out in the election notice tendered to the member. The handling of paper ballots shall remain unchanged.

**4.4.4 Secret & Secure**

The electronic voting system provides for secret balloting pursuant to Section 4.1 and shall be secure.

**4.4.5 Member Access**

Each member will receive a form to elect whether they want to receive electronic ballots or paper ballots. The election choice may be changed by the member, but no change will be effective for any upcoming election after ballots have been sent out for that election.