

Amendment to Notice of Motion relating to Electronic/postal voting

That the motion be amended to 18% of individual New Zealand Branch Members:

So that the motion reads:

To add the following Clause 8.3 (3) (v)

In order for the outcome of Postal or Electronic vote to be binding, no less than 18% of individual New Zealand Branch members shall have cast a vote.

Rationale:

During the consultation for One-Person, One-Vote, there was significant inconclusive discussion about the issue of whether a minimum number of votes be required. There were good arguments both for and against the concept, consequently it was not included in the notices of motion brought to the 2023 AGM.

The Branch Constitution currently requires that the quorum for a General Meeting is: "Delegates representing not less than one quarter of the membership and two thirds of the Regions shall constitute a quorum for any General Meeting."

This does not necessarily mean that 25% of the membership engaged with the process of guiding delegates in voting or engaged in existing voting practices.

The minimum number of votes should not be any greater than the current minimum requirement or engagement for region AGMs – which is approximately 15% - 18%.

Proposed Katharine Hoskyn



Seconded Antanas Procuta



Amendment to Notice of Motion relating to Electronic/Postal Voting

That the motion be amended to 40% of individual New Zealand branch members

So that the motion reads:

To add the following clause 8.3 (3) (v)

In order for Postal or Electronic vote to be binding, no less than 40% of individual New Zealand Branch members shall have cast a vote.

Rationale:

In the discussion of this Notice of Motion it was noted that the current Constitution does not include a minimum number. It was also noted that the quorum for our Region for an AGM is 30%. Various percentage minimums were raised with the feeling that 25% was too low. Others noted that having a suggested minimum percentage would encourage discussion at the Branch AGM. It was also noted that this number could be changed in the future.

Proposed: Rob Longley

 30/10/2023

Seconded: Ian Pearson

 30/10/23.