Purpose: How to tally the ballots for both organizations on the Rules proposal votes

Scope: Rules vote tallies

References: none

Procedure:

AOSA and SCST members vote on the rules proposal during the Joint Rules voting session and Joint Business meeting on the last day of the AOSA/SCST Annual Meeting.

The appointed AOSA member will typically vote verbally or using a clicker system. Eligible SCST members are handed out paper ballots. Each rule proposal is read. The rules chair makes a motion to accept the rule proposal and an AOSA member seconds. AOSA members then vote on the rule proposal. AOSA votes are tallied and recorded by a minimum of two people. At the end of the AOSA open voting, the ballots are collected from SCST members. The AOSA tallied votes are compared among the tally takers to ensure that everyone has the same counts.

Three SCST members collect the ballots and remove themselves into another room. The SCST ballots are then sorted into piles of any ballots that all votes are yes, all votes are no, all votes are abstain, or mixed votes piles. An excel tabulation worksheet is created.   Ballots are numbered across the top of the excel file and the rule proposals are numbered down the side. Two SCST members enter the ballots in two separate excel files. Each ballot is then entered into the excel file with a Y for a yes vote, a N for a no vote, and an A for an abstain. Every so often the two SCST members entering the data into the excel file compare to ensure they are on the same number ballot. If there is any disagreement, the reader and talliers go back to the begin and double check everything up to that point. After all ballots have been entered into the excel file the yes, no, and abstain votes are tallied. The two talliers compare their numbers to ensure that they agree. If there is not an agreement, the ballots are double checked to find where the error is and what is the correct ballot vote. If everything agrees, the ballots are considered good.
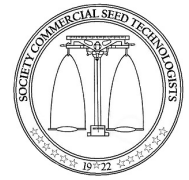
The SCST ballots are then inputted into the sheet on the excel file where the AOSA vote tallies are. The percentage of passing votes are tallied for each organization. Each percentage is reported to two decimal places. Absenting votes are treated as no votes. The two passing percentages for each organization are added together to create a super majority vote. This is reported to two decimal places as well.   If the super majority tally is 134 or higher, the rule proposal has passed. If the super majority tally is 133.99 or lower, the rule proposal has failed.

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Changelog

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