

MGCC Board of Directors Election Rules

- a.) A Residential Member is any person eighteen (18) years of age or older who lives within the District. Each Residential Member shall be entitled to one (1) vote in any election for an At-Large Residential Director and in any election for a Grid Director of the grid in which the Residential Member resides. Each Residential Member who is a renter shall also be entitled to one (1) vote in any election for an At-Large Residential Renter Director.
- b.) An Organizational Member is any person eighteen (18) years of age or older who is a student attending any educational institution in the District, or who is the owner or authorized representative of any business, residential rental property, educational institution or religious institution located within the District. Each Organizational Member is entitled to one (1) vote in any election for an At-Large Organizational Director in the respective category/categories to which the Organizational Member belongs.
- c.) Any person who is eligible to vote for a specific Director may also be a candidate for that position. Candidates are asked to submit a candidate application beforehand; however, candidates may also self-nominate or be nominated by another person who is eligible to vote for that Director at the annual meeting.
- d.) A candidate not present may be nominated, but a written statement from the candidate approving the candidacy or a candidate application must be submitted before the nomination can be accepted.
- e.) Each candidate shall be given one minute to speak regarding that candidacy.
- f.) No proxy votes will be permitted.
- g.) Spoiled ballots will not be counted. A ballot will be considered spoiled if it is illegible or has more names on it than positions to be filled in that election. If part of the ballot is legible, that part will be counted.
- h.) A ballot need not contain as many names as positions to be filled but may not contain more names than positions.
- i.) A voter may not vote for the same candidate more than once on any one ballot.
- j.) Ties will be resolved by re-balloting or by suitable arrangements agreed by all those so tied.
- k.) A plurality of votes is required to be elected.
- l.) All unresolved disputes will be settled by the council's Executive Committee.
- m.) Conveners and tellers will be appointed by the President.

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Odd and Even-numbered Grid Representative Elections:

- a.) Residents of each of the numbered grids will caucus to elect a representative who is a resident of their grid.
- b.) The convener of each caucus is responsible for registration of participants by name and address.
- c.) The recipient of most votes will be elected.
- d.) If an election cannot occur, the position can be filled at the next board meeting which will be on the second Thursday in April.

At-Large Residential Representatives:

- a.) At-Large ballots will be distributed at the time of election.
- b.) The top **two** recipients of votes will be elected.

At-Large Elections, Organizational Membership:

- a.) Any candidate representing a business institution must submit a letter of support from a business within Macalester-Groveland.
- b.) Any candidate representing an educational institution must submit a letter of support from that institution/organization.
- c.) Any candidate representing a religious institution must submit a letter of support from that institution/organization.
- d.) Any candidate who is a student *may* present a letter of support from that institution/organization.
- e.) Any candidate who is a renter *may* present a letter of support from another renter in Macalester-Groveland.
- f.) Any candidate who is a residential landlord *may* present a letter of support from another landlord in Macalester-Groveland.
- g.) If more than two candidates present themselves for any organizational seat, representatives for the respective category will caucus and select representative(s).
- h.) Nominations and voting will only be by those registered within that category. Each business, residential rental property, school and religious institution will have one vote.