



CDSS Vice President Election

Introduction

The Vice-President serves a one-year term commencing after the AGM, serves in that capacity until the following AGM and then continues to progress through the balance of the Executive roles.

Overview

On the last Tuesday of March, the Governance Committee will solicit nominations from Council for the position. The call will contain a list of Councilor's who are eligible and willing to let their name stand for election, and a nomination form.

Eligibility requires the following conditions be met:

- Be a licensed or otherwise registered dentist member of the CDSS.
- Be a member in good standing.
- Have completed one calendar year of service on Council at the time of nominations.
- Agree to adhere to the Dental Disciplines Act, the CDSS Bylaws, the CDSS Code of Ethics, and policies of the CDSS as may be amended from time to time.
- Agree to transition to the role of President-elect for a one-year term following completion of the Vice President term.

All completed nominations, together with a current and up-to-date Curriculum Vitae (CV) and a document outlining their reasons for seeking the position, must be received by the Chair of the Governance Committee not less than the first Tuesday of May. The Chair of the Governance Committee shall confirm all nominations, in writing, to each candidate, and shall provide Councilors with the nomination forms, CV's and supporting documents not less than the second Tuesday of May. Once a nominee has received confirmation of his/her candidacy, they are free to solicit support from other Council Members.

Note: An eligible member may nominate his or herself.



Election

- Each nominee shall be given 3 minutes at the June Council meeting to present their reasons for seeking the position.
- Council shall then cast a ballot for the candidate they believe will best represent CDSS.
- Candidates may only cast one ballot for an individual other than themselves.
- Should there be more than two applicants, and none receive the majority of the votes, the applicant receiving the least number of votes cast will be dropped from the ballot and voting will continue. The President shall then inform the applicants prior to making any announcement to the Council and continuing with the election process.
- In the event of a tie among second or third place applicants, a vote will be held from among the tied applicants. As applicable, the applicant with the least number of votes will be dropped from the ballot and voting will continue.
- Balloting will continue until one applicant receives the requisite majority of votes cast.
- Following each round of voting and the announcement of results, the ballots shall be destroyed.
- Note: Ballots shall be counted and verified by the residing President, the Chair of the Governance Committee and Council Chair.
- **Application from one individual**
If only one person applies, and they meet the eligibility requirements, then that person will be presented to Council as “acclaimed” for formal approval.
- **No applications**
If no one agrees to let their name stand by the deadline, the Governance Committee will encourage eligible members to reconsider. If more than one person reconsiders and pursues the position, an election will be held between those individuals. If no one declares an interest, the position will remain vacant until such time that it can be filled by the Governance Committee and Council in accordance with the Bylaws.



Declaration

The candidate receiving the majority of Council votes shall be declared the next Vice President.