
AGM Business Requirements

This backgrounder outlines the requirements for the constitution of the meeting, voting and decisions for your reference.

Members must be identified by their first and last name in order for their vote to count.

Quorum

A minimum of 15 members present in person or by proxy is required for the meeting to occur. (By-Law Article 7.07 on quorum)

Who May Vote?

Individual members in good standing are entitled to vote. Associate, corporate, and honorary members may attend the meeting, but are not entitled to vote. (By-Law Article 2.02 on classes of membership and Article 7.08 on voting)

Individual members in good standing may vote by proxy if he or she cannot attend the meeting. Appointment must be in writing, and a proxy holder must be an individual member in good standing. (By-Law Article 7.09 on proxies)

How Do Members Vote In This Meeting?

Members may vote for motions using the red and green voting cards provided in the meeting package.

How Are Decisions Determined?

Votes: Votes are “for” or “opposed” a decision question.

Abstentions: Abstentions are considered blank votes and are recorded, but do not count, and have no effect on the decision.

Majority Rules: Decisions on questions are made by a simple majority of votes. (By-Law Article 7.11) Decisions on questions of amendments to Hypertension Canada’s foundational documents, such as the by-law, are desired to be made by a two-third majority of votes.