

Bylaws Amendments to Streamline Board Elections

Current Text

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Proposed Text

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Rationale

EBAA's officer elections often feature more than two candidates running for a single position, and our At-Large elections typically have three open positions. Requiring a majority vote in these cases results in repeated run-off votes that slow down the proceedings and consume time that could be spent discussing issues of importance to the membership.