

Changes to Statutes and Internal Rules

Statutes

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Internal Rules

Current:

§ 9.4 The General Assembly shall establish a Nominations Review Group (NRG) on the recommendation of the Council. The NRG shall normally consist of three to five persons with considerable experience of the Federation and take into account the geographical representation. It shall be chaired by the immediate past president. Its members shall hold office for four calendar years, starting in the year following the Congress. A member of the current Council cannot be a member of the NRG. If any member of the NRG is unable to complete his or her period of office, a replacement

shall be appointed by the Council and ratification of that appointment sought from next meeting of the General Assembly.

New:

§ 9.4 [Deleted]

Current:

§ 9.5 The Council shall promulgate guidance notes for the NRG requiring it, inter alia, to review the nominations for president and vice-presidents and, in making its selection, to consider the candidates' qualifications and ensure a balanced distribution of candidates as between different geographical regions and different surveying disciplines. The recommendation of the NRG, together with relevant information on the candidates, shall be circulated to members with the agenda and papers for the General Assembly which will be voting on the recommendation. If a nominee of a member association is not included in the recommendation of the NRG that member association has to reconfirm that its candidate remains a nominee and for which post(s) before or at the General Assembly.

New:

§ 9.5 *The Council shall prepare a template document specifying the background information required from each candidate for any open post on the Council. This document shall be available on the FIG website. Additional information may be provided at the discretion of the candidate and member association. All nominations must be accompanied by a letter from the candidate consenting to the nomination together with a completed template document.*

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§ 9.6 If the recommendation of the NRG is not adopted as a package the General Assembly shall be invited to vote for each candidate. The first vote shall be between all candidates, including the one proposed by the NRG, for the post in question. If no single candidate for that post gains an absolute majority of the votes cast, a second vote will be held between the three candidates that have the most votes. If there is no absolute majority a final vote will take place between the two candidates that have gained the largest number of votes in the second round. In the event of a tie on that vote, the President shall order a ballot.

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§ 9.6 *The General Assembly shall vote for each candidate of their choice. The first vote shall be between all candidates for the post in question. If no single candidate for that post gains an absolute majority of the votes cast, a second vote will be held between the three candidates that have the most votes. If there is no absolute majority a final vote will take place between the two candidates that have gained the*

largest number of votes in the second round. In the event of a tie on that vote, the successful candidate shall be decided by the drawing of lots by the President.

Current:

§ 11.8 The appointment of chair-elect shall be decided by a vote of the General Assembly at the meeting which takes place two years prior to the meeting at which chairs are appointed. In the case of each commission nominations may be made either by the chair on behalf of the commission or by member associations. The nominations shall be called for at least six months in advance of the General Assembly at which the appointments are to be made to enable the Council to ensure that the nominees command the support of their member associations and the relevant commissions. In the event of no nomination being received for the chair elect of a particular commission, the Council shall take such action as may be needed to ensure that the position is filled.

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In the event of no nomination being received for the chair elect of a particular commission, the Council shall take such action as may be needed to ensure that the position is filled.

Current:

§ 11.9 All nominations received for the post of chair-elect will be considered by the Commission Review Group (CRG). The CRG will consist of the Nomination Review Group supplemented by three members appointed by ACCO. The CRG will submit via the Council to the General Assembly a balanced portfolio of candidates for consideration, and where necessary identify where a vote may be required to select between candidates. Independently the Council will advise the General Assembly which Commissions should coordinate specific Inter-Commission activities.

New:

§ 11.9 [Deleted]

Additional Changes

List of Responsibilities of the Council Members to be removed from the statutes and internal rules and replaced with a list of responsibilities in the FIG Work Plan, which is a subject to the General Assembly anyhow.