



ANNOUNCEMENT – BYLAW REVISIONS

(CURRENT)

ARTICLE III – Meetings of Members

SECTION 5 - Voting

Voting for election of Directors and amendments to the bylaws shall be in person at meetings therefore or by mail, as provided herein.

Nothing shall be voted on at a meeting of the members that is not on the published agenda and placed there by the Board, or as otherwise provided in these bylaws.

Each member of the Cooperative shall be entitled to only one vote upon each matter, including election of members of the Board of Directors, submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members. Unless otherwise provided by the law, the Articles of Incorporation, or these bylaws, material issues on the published agenda or other questions shall be decided by a vote of a majority of the members voting thereon in person and by mail.

Mail voting shall be on ballots provided by the Cooperative. Mail ballots shall be voted by the member, placed in a special envelope for the purpose of concealing the marking on the ballot, deposited in a return envelope, which must be signed by the voting member and mailed back to the Association. Envelopes containing mail ballots shall be counted prior to the annual meeting, and stored in a manner that protects their privacy. Mail ballots must be returned to Southeast by the close of business two (2) days prior to the date of the meeting of the members in order to be considered valid after which time a revote is not permitted.

Nothing herein shall prevent those physically present at an annual meeting from acting on advisory, non-binding resolutions brought forth at the meeting.

ARTICLE IV - Directors

SECTION 4 - Nominations

A nomination for Director on the Board of Directors shall be made by a written petition signed by at least fifteen members within that district, and filed with the Board of Directors no later than sixty days prior to the date of the election. Any petition or nomination so filed shall designate the name of the nominee and the district for which nominated. The name of a nominee shall appear on the ballot if the nominating petition is in apparent conformity with the section as determined by the Secretary of the Board. Any petition for nomination shall be signed by at least 15 individual members of the Association having memberships located within the District for which the person is nominated.

SECTION 5 - Elections

- (a) Each membership of the association shall be entitled to vote in the election of the directors on the Board of Directors either at a meeting held for such purpose or by mail. Mail voting shall be in writing on ballots provided by the Association. The mail ballot shall be voted by the member, placed in a special envelope provided for the purpose so as to conceal the marking on the ballot, deposited in a return envelope which must be signed by the voting member, and mailed back to the Association. Envelopes containing mail ballots shall remain sealed and uncounted until the meeting held for the purpose of electing the Board of Directors. A member, if present at such meeting, may revoke a mail vote theretofore executed by such member, and such member shall be entitled to vote at such meeting in the same manner and with the same effect as if such member had not voted by mail.
- (b) Voting for Directors on the Board of Directors by proxy or cumulative voting is prohibited.

(REVISED)

ARTICLE III – Meetings of Members

SECTION 5 – Voting

Voting for the election of Directors and amendments to the bylaws shall be in person at meetings, by mail, or electronically (if available) as provided herein. Except as otherwise provided by these Bylaws, nothing shall be voted on at a meeting of the Members that is not contained in the published agenda.

Each Member of the Cooperative shall be entitled to only one vote upon each matter, including election of members of the Board of Directors, submitted to a vote. Unless otherwise provided by law, the Articles of Incorporation, or these bylaws, material issues presented to the Member for a vote shall be decided by a vote of a majority of the Members voting thereon.

Mail voting shall be on ballots provided by the Cooperative. Mail ballots shall be voted by the member, deposited in the provided return envelope addressed to the Cooperative or the contracted independent third-party designated by the Cooperative to conduct the election, and signed by the voting member.

For the ballot of a Joint Membership, the ballot envelope mailed to the Joint Member must include the name of each eligible voter. The Joint Member who casts the ballot shall sign the return envelope.

Envelopes containing mail ballots may be counted prior to the annual meeting and stored in a manner that protects their privacy. Mail ballots must be returned to the Cooperative or the contracted independent third-party designated by the Cooperative to conduct the election by the close of business three (3) days prior to the date of the applicable meeting of the members in order to be counted. A Member who has voted by mail (or electronically) shall not be entitled to vote in person at the meeting.

If the Cooperative has contracted with an independent third party to conduct the mail ballot election, such ballots must be delivered to the Cooperative under seal promptly after the count and, upon the request of any candidate, made available to the candidate for inspection. Nothing herein shall prevent those physically present at a meeting of the Members from acting on advisory, non-binding resolutions brought forth at the meeting.

ARTICLE IV - Directors

SECTION 4 - Nominations

- (a) A nomination for Director on the Board of Directors shall be made by a written petition signed by at least fifteen (15) Members within the District for which the candidate is nominated, and filed with the Board of Directors no later than sixty (60) days prior to the date of the applicable meeting of the Members or election. Any petition or nomination so filed shall designate the name of the nominee and the district for which nominated. The name of a nominee shall appear on the ballot if the nominating petition is in apparent conformity with this section as determined by the Secretary of the Board.
- (b) Upon request, each candidate for a position on the Board of Directors is entitled to receive a membership list in an electronic format upon receipt and verification of a valid petition. The membership list must include the names and addresses of all Members, including all Joint Members, as they appear in the Cooperative's records. Candidates shall use such lists only for purposes of the election and shall return or destroy them immediately after the election.

SECTION 5 - Elections

- (a) Each membership of the Cooperative shall be entitled to vote in the election of the Directors either at a meeting held for such purpose or by mail or electronically (if available).
- (b) Voting for Directors on the Board of Directors by proxy or cumulative voting is prohibited.

These changes are being made to comply with Colorado law.

REVISIONS WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 5, 2022.

The Board of Directors welcomes any questions or comments regarding these revisions by emailing bylawsrevision@secpa.com, visiting www.secpa.com/bylawsrevision or calling 719-383-1323.