

AGENDA ITEM B

Proposal: I move to add the following highlighted text to NPGA Rules & Regulations Section 1(A)1 (1):

Nominations, questions of the nominees, and the secret ballot election will be conducted one office at a time, beginning with the office of President. Elections for Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer will follow in order. In the case of an uncontested office, no secret ballot will be required. Secret ballots shall be tabulated by the Business Manager in conjunction with a director who will be drawn at random at the beginning of the meeting. In the absence of the Business Manager, the president will appoint a director that will not be running for a position on the E-board. To maintain transparency, the votes will be read aloud. Advance campaigning by intended nominees is permitted but not required.

Reasons: We need to be transparent with the voting and stop trying to be so secretive. Yes, I understand that people don't want other people to see who they vote for. So how hard is it to have everyone write down their vote on a piece of paper and have a couple members read them out loud. Nobody will know who voted for who. It will be transparent, and everyone will know the vote total. It's not that hard, that's how all 4H and FFA clubs do it.

Advantages: It helps the NPGA to be transparent and fair in all aspects of the organization.

Disadvantages: NONE

Financial Implications: NONE

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