

## **MEMBER BALLOTING PROCESS**

## Bylaws. Article 5. Council. Section 7. Voting.

Section 7. Voting. Councilors shall be elected by a simple plurality of votes on valid ballots received in an election held prior to the Annual Meeting. The specific procedures and deadlines for the annual election of new Councilors shall be established by Council. Voting members may vote for five candidates (one for each position), including write-in candidates.

## **Voting Procedure**

- 1. A "Call for Nominations" is distributed to OHBM members that includes a form collecting their name, institution, country, email address and notation that they agree to serve if selected to be on the ballot.
- 2. A Demographic Form is sent to all nominees to gather more detailed information about each candidate.
- 3. The OHBM Nominating Committee reviews the list of nominees and demographic information and created an election ballot with two or three candidates for each of the five open positions.
- 4. An election ballot is prepared identifying the final slate of candidates as approved by the OHBM Nominating Committee.
- 5. OHBM Executive Staff sends an email to members with a link to the election ballot along with a copy of their Purpose Statement and photo. This link is also placed in the "Member Only" section of the OHBM website and as a link connected to the Annual Meeting registration page.
- 6. OHBM members vote for their candidates (only one vote per position is allowed). Members must use their login information to access the link.
- 7. Following the close of voting, OHBM Executive Staff tabulates the votes and verifies that respondents only voted once.
- 8. The slate of elected Councilors will be sent to the Nominating Committee for their information.
- 9. Emails will be sent to those who have been elected as well as those who were not to inform them of the results. This will allow newly elected Councilors to plan their participation in meetings held during the Annual Meeting.
- 10. The results of the elections will be announced during the OHBM General Assembly and Feedback Forum at the Annual Meeting.