Motion to Adopt a Convention on Electronic Voting

(1) A vote may be tabled by any Council Member via the most expeditious and accessible electronic means available in the circumstance, where the subject matter of the motion or vote requires administration prior to the next regular meeting of the Committee per section 29, and is not:

(a) A vote to amend the SLS Constitution;
(b) A vote to adopt a new By-Law;
(c) A vote to amend or repeal an existing By-Law;
(d) A vote to adopt a new Convention;
(e) A vote to amend or repeal an existing Convention;
(f) A vote to discipline or censure a Committee Member;
(g) A vote to ratify or de-ratify an Organization;
(h) A vote that would otherwise require a two-thirds majority of eligible voting Committee Members present;
(i) For any other reason that a Council member may deem disqualifying, as raised during the discussion period.

(2) A vote brought under (1) must receive a two-thirds majority approval of eligible Council Members in order to pass.

(3) A vote brought under (1) shall ensure that Members are able to vote for only one of the following:

(a) In favour of the motion or vote;
(b) Against the motion or vote; or
(c) Abstain from the motion or vote; and

that every Member’s vote be made available to the Committee at or immediately after the time their vote was cast.

(4) Each eligible voting Committee Member shall have the ability to alter his or her vote one or more times, notwithstanding that no alteration to a Committee Member’s vote can be made after the voting period has closed pursuant to (5), (6), and (7).

(5) A vote brought under (1) shall be deemed to have passed unanimously by the Speaker and voting shall be closed, where:

(a) The vote has reached two-thirds majority support;
(b) There have been no votes against;
(c) At least 24 hours have passed since the vote was tabled; and
(d) The Speaker has chosen not to exercise his/her discretion to extend the vote under.

(6) A vote brought under (1) will remain tabled for 48 hours, after which voting shall be closed, where:

(a) It has not reached two-thirds majority support within 24 hours;
(b) There have been one or more votes against;
(c) The Speaker deems it necessary for reasons of fairness; or
(d) One or more Committee Members has requested that the Speaker extend the vote and the Speaker deems this request reasonable to ensure fairness in the circumstances.

(7) A vote shall not remain tabled and for longer than 48 hours, except where the Speaker deems it absolutely necessary to ensure fairness in the circumstances.
The minutes of the next Committee Meeting shall contain the results of any vote under (1), regardless of the result of such a vote, and a brief summary of any debate or input that the Vice-President, Administration deems relevant, pursuant to section 36.