

Frequently Asked Questions:

- Q. Why are existing board members being nominated again if they were on the board before?**
- A.** According to our constitution, KWSC Board positions are for a period of 2 years. In even numbered years, 6 members are up for nomination and in odd numbered years, 5 members are up for nomination. This is done to ensure the Board does not lose most of its members at the same time and to ensure the current membership continues to elect the people with whom they entrust KWSC's leadership and decision making.
- Q. Why is it important for me to come and vote on behalf of my child who skates in this club?**
- A.** In past years, Board members have been acclaimed (there was no election as we didn't have more nominees than we had positions available on the board). This year, we have 10 nominees who are interested in filling 6 positions. It is important that you are allowed to make your vote count as it is critical that the elected members have your best interest at heart.
- Q. How do I know who to vote for?**
- A.** Just like any election process, it's important for you to consider what the existing board has accomplished, decide whether this is a direction you support and decide which candidates are the best match to support the direction you do support. Short bios will be available at the AGM for each of the nominees. In addition, bios exist for all your current board members on our website (see Our Club/Project Renew) and in the lobby display case outside the Carolyn Fedy Skating Centre at RIM Park.



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Q. How many people will I need to vote for?

A. You will be asked to select 6 names from a list of 10 nominees. All votes will be done by confidential ballot and double counted by scrutineers appointed by the nomination committee. If there's a tie, then a 2nd ballot will be circulated and another vote will take place.

Q. I am a long time volunteer for KWSC, am I eligible to vote?

A. While it is admirable that you continue to volunteer your time and energy to this club and we thank you for that, voting privileges do not extend to 'friends of KWSC'. You are considered a Community member and are not eligible to vote or have a voice at an AGM.

Q. If I am a member of the Athletic Centre, can I vote at a KWSC AGM?

A. No, you must be registered in KWSC's skating programs and pay your Skate Canada membership fees (with your skating registration package).

Q. If I have three children under the age of 18 skating in KWSC programs do I have three votes?

A. The KWSC constitution only allows for 1 special member vote per family.

Q. If I am a coach working in KWSC, can I vote?

A. The KWSC constitution and Skate Canada's by-laws do not permit you to vote at an AGM. There are exclusions to this rule if the coach also has one or more children registered in KWSC programs. Please drop a note to the Nominations and Elections committee chair at lesleyr@rogers.com for an assessment on your personal situation.

Q. Can I give my vote to someone else?

A. The KWSC Constitution does not permit this.



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Q. Can I send my vote in by proxy?

A. The KWSC Constitution does not permit this.

Q. Do I need to have my Skate Canada membership through KWSC in order to vote?

A. No, as long as your Skate Canada membership has been paid in full (doesn't matter through which club) AND you are registered and skating in KWSC Skating programs, you are eligible to vote.

Q. What if I am a team manager for a synchro team at KWSC, am I eligible to vote?

A. Your status would be 'Community member' which carries no voting rights. If you also have an underaged child skating in KWSC programs, then you would have voting rights through that membership.

Q. How do I know if I am an honorary member of KWSC?

A. You would have been declared as such during a General meeting. Your membership fees would be paid on your behalf. You would have no voting rights at an AGM, but you would have a voice.

Q. Can anyone get up and speak at an AGM?

A. No, the KWSC Constitution is clear that only voting members and honorary members are permitted to speak at an AGM.



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Q. Can nominations be made from the floor at an AGM?

A. No, the KWSC Constitution prevents this from occurring.

Q. Can anyone attend the AGM?

A. Anyone can attend the AGM as an observer, however, the constitution does allow for observers to be asked to leave the room should we run out of space for voters. We hope this won't be necessary, however, this is a process where the membership's voters choose their Board of Directors – the comfort of the voters will be top priority.