



SCOW's Board Elections are Around the Corner

The election for the SCOW 2023 Board of Directors, is just around the corner and will be conducted completely online. The enactment of electronic ballots, introduced a few years ago, has dramatically increased member participation by making it easier for all members to cast a vote.

What is your first step to participate? Verify that you can log into the SCOW website (scow.org) and that your email address, found in your profile, is current. If you forgot your password, click the Forgot Password link that appears beside the Login button [upper right-hand corner of the SCOW home page]. If you don't remember your login credentials, please send an email to the SCOW's Membership Director at membership@scow.org.

Step two, join us online for the September 26th Membership Meeting to learn more about the election process and to self-nominate or nominate other members for Board positions (<https://www.scow.org/SCOW-BOD-Position-Descriptions/>).

Step three – Vote! At least 10 days prior to our Annual Meeting (which is Monday, October 24th) SCOW members in good standing will receive an email notification that our polls are open and you can now participate in our elections. SCOW will use the email address saved in each member's SCOW Profile for sending the email notification. In addition to the voting link in the email message, a link to the ballot will be placed on the SCOW website home page. With the above in mind, note that only members in good standing will be able to participate and cast a ballot in the Members' area of the SCOW website. **Vote!**

The voting process will be supervised by monitors (vote inspectors) to ensure the authenticity and the privacy of your vote. Yes, your vote will be private. Yes, there will be no hacking by foreign operatives. All on-line votes will be recorded, and the voting process will close 30 minutes after the Annual Meeting on Monday, October 24th, 2022 has been called to order.

More information is being prepared to send to your inbox. If you have any questions about the voting process, please send an email to the SCOW Nominating Committee at nominatingcommittee@scow.org.

Stay well and sail on!

SCOW Nomination Committee