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Subject: BCLTA - Voting at 2008 BCLTA AGM
Attachments: Institutional_Voting_Form.pdf

Attention Trustees:

Please be advised that voting will be conducted according to the BCLTA's existing bylaw provisions* at the 2008 Annual General Meeting on Saturday, April 19th. Each Institutional Member and each Individual Member in good standing (i.e., annual dues paid prior to the AGM) is entitled to one vote – meaning that each of your Board Members may vote individually and your Board itself may also cast one overall vote on each item up for consideration.

The Special Resolution on Voting Protocol (see March 20th Bulletin), if adopted, does not take effect until approved by the Registrar of Companies – meaning that any change to the Association's voting procedures would only be implemented in time for the 2009 AGM.

Individual Trustees must be in attendance at the AGM in order to vote and Institutions must authorize an Individual Member who will be attending the AGM to vote on the Institution's behalf (an Institutional Voting Form is attached and is also available on the BCLTA website under About > Constitution & Bylaws). This designated voter should, if possible, be from the Institution's own Board, but can be a Trustee from another Board in good standing if none of the Institution's own Trustees can attend. An Institutional Voting Form must be signed by the Board Chair and submitted to BCLTA staff prior to the AGM in order for the Institutional vote to be registered and counted. Proxy voting is not available to Individual Members.

Please contact Errin Morrison, BCLTA Executive Director, at execdirector@bclta.org or 778-355-9979 with any further questions about voting protocol at this year's AGM.

**Under the Society Act, Section 7(1) "A voting member of a society has only one vote, and, despite any contrary provision in the bylaws, may exercise that vote on every matter without restrictions." According to current BCLTA Bylaws, Institutional and Individual Members are entitled to one vote each [S. 3(a)(b)]; the votes of each Institutional Member shall be exercised where possible by its own representative [S. 21], such representative being designated according to the BCLTA Institutional Voting Form [S. 56].*