

Election Procedure*

1. A simple majority (i.e. 50% +1) of those voting is required to be elected to any position on the board.
2. The Vice Chair shall chair the election of the chair.
3. Chair and/or Secretary's term of office is to serve for one year or until their successors are elected, and their term of office will begin at the close of the annual meeting at which they are elected.
4. The Chair shall appoint at least two non-board members to tally the ballots.
5. The roll call sheet will be used as the nominating ballot. Absent members shall be removed from the nominating ballot unless the member has notified the Chair prior to the meeting.
6. Officer and UDIA Director candidates will be introduced and asked to respond "why are you interested in running for the position?"
7. After the first ballot, the lowest vote-getter will be dropped; in the event of a tie for lowest vote-getter, all tied, lowest vote-getters will be dropped from the next ballot.
8. **UDIA Directors:** All shall be nominated on one ballot. After the nominations ballot has been taken, voting will commence for all positions on one ballot. To be elected, each member must have a majority to win. The lowest vote getter will be dropped from each succeeding ballot until each candidate obtains a majority.
9. **UDIA Delegates:** After the UDIA Directors have been selected, all remaining directors are eligible for delegate seats. After the UDIA Delegates have been selected, all remaining directors shall be UDIA Alternates.
10. A motion should be made and approved to destroy the ballots after all voting has been properly concluded.
11. Division boards may follow the above procedure during board elections, or they may determine their own election procedures.

* taken from Midwest Dairy Association Directors Policy Manual dated January 1, 2012