

Election Rules

The election of delegates pursuant to Article 15 of the Articles of Incorporation of the Society (hereinafter referred to as the "Election of Delegates") and the appointment of directors and auditors pursuant to Article 34 of the Articles of Incorporation (hereinafter referred to as the "Election of Officers") shall be conducted in accordance with these Rules.

(Election Management Committee)

1. The Society shall have an election management committee to conduct the Election of Delegates and the Election of Officers, as well as the affairs related thereto.

(Composition and Term of Office of Election Management Committee)

2. The Election Management Committee shall have a committee chair who is a director appointed by the President and shall consist of a few delegates appointed by the committee chair. The term of office of the committee chair and the committee members shall not exceed their respective terms of office as directors and delegates; provided, however, that even after the expiration of their term of office, they shall continue to perform their duties until their successors assume office.

(Duties of Election Management Committee)

3. The Election Management Committee shall perform the following duties:

- (1) Public notice of election;
- (2) Preparation of a list of voters and full members to be voted on;
- (3) Operations related to the preparation of prescribed web entry forms for voting and election implementation, such as the preparation of ballot forms;
- (4) Report on election results; and
- (5) Other related operations.

(Public Notice of Election)

4. The public notice of the election shall contain the position to be elected and the number to be elected, the date or period of voting, the place or method of voting, the matters to be noted with respect to the voting, etc. and shall be published in Mokuzaishiki or by electromagnetic means no later than one month prior to the date of voting or the date on which the voting begins.

(Method of Voting)

5. Voting shall be secret, in single or serial form, and conducted by web entry in the prescribed form or by mail using the prescribed ballot form.

(Vote Counting and Vote Counting Observer)

6. Votes shall be counted by a person appointed by the committee chair of the Election Management Committee. In addition, votes shall be counted with two delegates appointed by the President as observers.

(Invalid Voting)

7. The following votes shall be void in whole or in part:
- (1) If a vote does not comply with the prescribed form, the entire vote;
 - (2) If a vote by mail using a ballot form does not arrive by the prescribed date, the entire vote;
 - (3) If the number of serial votes exceeds the prescribed number, the entire vote;
 - (4) If an unqualified person is entered, only such part;
 - (5) In the case of a duplicate entry of the same person in a series of votes, only the duplicate entry; and
 - (6) In the case of an illegible entry, only such part.

(Determination of Winners)

8. The winners shall be determined pursuant to the provisions set forth in Article 4 of the Rules for Election of Delegates and Article 3 of the Rules for Election of Candidates for Officers and Appointment of Officers. The committee chair of the Election Management Committee shall immediately notify the winners of the election in writing.

(Reporting and Public Notice of Election Results)

9. The committee chair of the Election Management Committee shall report on the process and results of the election to the President without delay after the election. The President shall give public notice of the list of winners in Mokuzaikai or by electromagnetic means as soon as possible after receiving the report from the committee chair of the Election Management Committee.

10. Revisions to these Rules shall be made by the Board of Directors and reported to the general meeting.

Supplementary Provisions

Approved by the 338th Meeting of the Board of Directors on June 17, 2016.

These Rules shall come into effect as of June 17, 2016.