

TVA Annual General Meeting

Factoids for 2021

1. Date this year: Saturday, November 27, 2021 starting at 1 pm
2. Notice of the meeting: Minimum 21 days in advance of the meeting, to each member
3. Quorum = 25 members entitled to vote, present at the meeting
4. Voting privileges: Members 16 years of age or over, and a member for a minimum of 30 days prior to the general meeting, and whose membership dues are fully paid, are entitled to vote. They must be present at the meeting to vote (no proxy voting).
5. Decisions are determined by a majority of votes. Casting of votes, except for the election of Directors, is by show of hands, unless a ballot is demanded by any member. For a tie vote, the measure is lost.
6. Any amendments to bylaws must be sent to members at least 30 days prior to the general meeting
7. Typical Agenda items:
 - a. Acceptance of minutes from previous general meeting
 - b. Financial:
 - i. Review and approval of financial statements for the most recent fiscal year
 - ii. Appointment of auditors for the current year
 - c. Board of Directors report: Major Board activity since the last AGM, including officer assignments, resignations, appointments, etc.
 - d. Staff report: Activities of the org
 - e. Volunteer recognition
 - f. Election of Board of Directors for the ensuing year
 - g. Usually something “fun”, educational or entertaining
 - h. Any strategy updates
 - i. Announcement of election results & assignment of 2-year / 1-year terms
 - j. Opportunity for members to ask questions and provide feedback

Board of Directors:

1. Consists of 11 members
2. Directors must be
 - a. Paid members of the Association, and a member for at least the 3 months before the election
 - b. 18 years of age or older
 - c. Currently vegetarian and for at least the 12 months immediately preceding the election
3. Term lengths:
 - a. 5 newly elected Directors will be assigned to two-year terms. The remainder of newly elected Directors are assigned to one-year terms. Each year there will be at least 6 spots to fill through the election.
4. Nominations:
 - a. The Board calls for nominations of Directors at least 45 days before the AGM
 - b. Nominations close 21 days before the AGM
 - c. Nominations are provided in writing and shall bear the nominees' signature as their consent to run