



Membership & Election Procedures for Board Members 2026

Membership & Elections:

- Directors are elected by the affiliated members of ISACS at the AGM each year (Each registered member/org has one vote).
- In order for an election to be valid, a quorum of members is required to be present, defined as “those who cumulatively hold twenty percent (20%) of the voting rights in accordance with the Rules of Membership, present in person or by proxy” as per article 22 of [ISACS Constitution](#).
- At each annual general meeting one third, or if their number is not 3 nor a multiple of 3, the number nearest one third of Directors shall retire from office.
- Vacancies will be rotated according to those who have been longest in office.
- Members will be notified of the number of positions for election a minimum of three weeks in advance of the AGM.
- Directors are asked to make a minimum commitment of 3 years to the board after which they may stand again for re-election if desired. Maximum term of office: two x 3-year terms.
- Members may be nominated to represent an organisation, but it is the individual who holds the position, not the organisation. Only one nomination will be accepted per affiliated member/organisation.
- Nomination forms must be filled in and returned to info@isacs.ie by **Thursday 7th May 2026**.
- The vote will be conducted through an online ballot, with one voting right per affiliated member.
- All votes are counted by two non-standing affiliated members and results are announced

straight after the election. Should there be a tie between two candidates a second closed ballot election is organised between the two candidates in question and the candidate with the most votes is elected. In the event that a tie continues, the outgoing chair has a casting vote.

- For members who cannot attend the AGM, they may submit a proxy vote for eligible nominated candidates only. This must be received at info@isacs.ie, no later than **Monday 11th May 2026** with a clear instruction as to who will cast their vote at the AGM.
- There are a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 10 positions on the board. 60% of the positions are reserved to be co-opted by the elected board members. This to facilitate sourcing specific skillsets and experience as required by ISACS board at that time. We also encourage a spread across artforms on the board so as the distinct artforms of Street Arts, Circus & Spectacle are always represented independently.
- Therefore, we are currently recruiting **three seats from the membership** to facilitate the recruitment of specific expertise as mentioned above.
- Members may stand for election at the AGM providing they have sent in the required nomination form in advance of the deadline. This deadline must be adhered to in order to facilitate the proxy vote system.
- The Board meet a maximum 4 -6 times a year, with dates agreed in advance. Sub committees and agreed groupings meet to progress work outside of the meetings. Directors are also expected to attend the AGM, any EGM's, planning meetings and other meetings which may occur from time to time. These meetings will be held via Zoom video conferencing and/or in person and will last approximately 2-3 hours.
- The Board recognises that personal circumstances can change which affect involvement. Should this happen, the Chair will discuss the options with the Director in confidence.