

2023 NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT

Voting Instructions

1. Fill in the box next to your choice(s).
2. Place ballot in white, postage-paid return envelope.
3. To be counted, ballots must be received by 4:30 p.m., Thursday, June 1, 2023.
4. Ballots will be counted remotely by Survey & Ballot Systems in conjunction with NHEC election tellers.
5. If voting online, do not return this ballot.

MARKING INSTRUCTIONS

EXAMPLE ■

BALLOT 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Statements from candidates appear in the accompanying brochure.

Please read the Nominating Committee's report in the accompanying brochure.

RACE 1: Three-year term

(vote for no more than three)

- ☐ Patricia Barbour
Nominated by Nominating Committee
- ☐ John Simonelli
Nominated by Nominating Committee
- ☐ Madeline McElaney
Nominated by Nominating Committee
- ☐ William Darcy
Nominated by Petition
- ☐ Harry Viens
Nominated by Nominating Committee
- ☐ _____
Write in (other than candidates listed above)
- ☐ _____
Write in (other than candidates listed above)
- ☐ _____
Write in (other than candidates listed above)

RACE 2: One-year term

(vote for no more than one)

- ☐ Leon (Lee) Pierhal
Nominated by Nominating Committee
- ☐ Leo Dwyer
Nominated by Petition
- ☐ _____
Write in (other than candidates listed above)

BALLOT 2 QUESTIONS

PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENTS

BALLOT 2 QUESTION 1: BYLAW AMENDMENT #1

This question was proposed by the NHEC Board of Directors. The NHEC Board of Directors recommends approval of this proposal (a YES vote).

Shall NHEC's Code of Bylaws be amended effective June 7, 2023 to reflect the changes as described on the back of this ballot?

☐ Yes

☐ No

BALLOT 2 QUESTION 2: BYLAW AMENDMENT #2

This question was proposed by the NHEC Board of Directors. The NHEC Board of Directors recommends approval of this proposal (a YES vote).

Shall NHEC's Code of Bylaws be amended to replace all forms of the pronouns "he" and "she" with the corresponding forms of the pronoun "they"? Adopting this ballot question would eliminate the use of gendered language when referring to individuals.

☐ Yes

☐ No

SEE BACK SIDE FOR BYLAW AMENDMENT

BALLOT 2 QUESTION 1: BYLAW AMENDMENT #1

Pursuant to Article II, Section 3 of the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s Code of Bylaws, the Board of Directors is recommending the following bylaw change. The proposed changes will be submitted to a mail vote of the membership with results announced at NHEC's annual meeting on June 7, 2023.

Note: Additions are shown as underlined.

ARTICLE III, Voting, Section 7

Section 7. *Electronic voting*. The use of the term "mail" elsewhere in these bylaws notwithstanding, any provision of these bylaws concerning notices, voting, ballots, material accompanying ballots, the distribution of ballots and material accompanying ballots, the return of ballots, and the counting, retention and recounting of ballots, may be satisfied by the use of electronic communications, electronic transactions or electronic records in accordance with rules and regulations concerning electronic voting established by the Board of Directors. In implementing electronic voting under this Section, the Board may alter or suspend any or all of the balloting requirements for voting by mail set forth in Section 4 of this Article.

Statement from the Board of Directors on Ballot 2 Question 1: Bylaw Amendment #1

This amendment is proposed by the Board of Directors.

Adopting this ballot question would give the Board of Directors additional flexibility to efficiently receive, process, and count NHEC membership votes that are cast electronically.