

Guidance for August 12, 2023 Election of Officers/Trustees of Lake Raponda Association

Below is guidance for members on the nominations and voting procedures for elections to be held at the August 12, 2023 Annual Meeting. **Election deadlines for 2023 are noted in bold type.** The LRA Clerk or other LRA Trustee designated by the President as “Registrar” will manage the voting process.

Nominations for Officer and/or Trustee slots:

1. **On or before August 2, 2023**, any eligible member of the Association may offer his/her name as a candidate by notifying John Meyer, Chair of the Nominating Committee (raponda@gmail.com) or a Nominating Committee member (Beth Brody, Will Melton).
2. **On Sunday July 9, 2023**, candidates are encouraged to attend the Stated Meeting to introduce themselves to members.
3. **On or before August 2, 2023**, candidates are also encouraged to submit a brief paragraph about themselves and their interest in standing for election. This information will be posted at our www.Raponda.org website.
4. **On August 2, 2023**, 10 days prior to the Annual Meeting, the Nominating Committee will post a list of nominees on the website and will email a notice of such posting to the members that day.

Eligibility to vote in election

1. Member properties with 2023 dues paid as of the August 12, 2023 meeting are eligible, as verified by the Treasurer.
2. No more than two members from any eligible property shall be entitled to vote, regardless of the number of lots held by the owners.
3. If you have questions about your eligibility, please review the bylaws posted on the LRA website https://raponda.org/wp-content/uploads/2022_07_10-Bylaws-ArticlesofAssociation.pdf or contact the Treasurer (Michaelanne Widness, mwidness@gmail.com).

Email voting

Members who cannot attend the Annual Meeting have the opportunity to vote by email as follows:

1. **Between August 2 and August 6, 2023**, request an email vote from the Registrar by sending an email to vote@raponda.org (see procedures on LRA website).
2. **On August 7, 2023**, email voting opens (per LRA Bylaws, 5 days prior to Annual Meeting).
3. **On Saturday August 12, 2023, no later than 5:00 pm**, email vote to vote@raponda.org
4. If you signed up to vote by email, you may **ONLY** vote by email, even if you attend the August Annual meeting.
5. Review procedures for voting by email at the Elections and Voting Procedures (April 2023) posted on the LRA website, including being verified as an eligible voter. Voting procedures are posted at <https://raponda.org/wp-content/uploads/LRA-Voting-Procedures.pdf>

In-person voting

Any member in good standing (paid dues by August 12, 2023) may vote in person at the **2023 Annual Meeting to be held Saturday, August 12, 2023**, at 361 Lake Raponda Road. *The only exception to this is a member who has requested to vote by email. If you requested an email vote, we cannot accommodate a change to in-person voting the day of the meeting.*

If there are no contested positions, the vote at the meeting may be conducted as a voice vote. **Those elected begin their term immediately when the August 12, 2023 Annual Meeting concludes.**