

**ANSWER SHEET ON DETERMINING THE RESULTS OF A VOTE
US YOUTH SOCCER WORKSHOP, MARCH 3, 2007**

Unless otherwise stated, assume the bylaws of the organization do not provide otherwise; the organization has 50 members; a quorum is 26 members; and *Robert's* applies.

- (1) 30 members present. On the pending motion, 4 vote yes; 1 votes no; 25 do not vote. Does the motion pass?

Yes: A majority voted in favor; actually, 80 percent voted in favor.

- (2) 40 members present. The following election results were announced:

Larry Monaco, 18 votes

David Messersmith, 15 votes

The Lone Ranger, 5 votes

Was anyone elected? If so, who?

No. 38 voted (assuming the 5 votes for the Lone Ranger were cast by voting members). While the 5 votes for the Lone Ranger were for a fictional character and therefore "illegal", since they were cast by members entitled to vote, they are counted in determining the majority vote required for election. So a nominee needed 20 votes to be elected. *Robert's*, page 402.

- (3) 25 members present. On the pending motion, 25 vote yes; 0 vote no. Motion pass?

No: A quorum was not present.

- (4) 35 members present. On the pending motion, 15 vote yes; 14 vote no. May the President vote?

Yes: But only if the President votes "No". That is the only way his or her vote would affect the outcome, by making the vote a tie vote, and then the motion would lose.

Exception: Tie vote on motion to sustain an appealed ruling of the chair sustains the chair.

- (5) 35 members present. On the pending motion, 15 vote yes; 15 vote no. May the President vote?

Yes: But only if the President votes "Yes". Then the motion would pass.

- (6) 40 members present. The bylaws require a majority vote of the entire membership to endorse a political candidate. The vote is 25 yes; 12 vote no. Motion to endorse pass?

No: A majority vote of the entire membership requires 26 yes votes.

- (7) 27 members present. The bylaws require a majority vote of those present. On the pending motion, 13 vote yes; 7 vote no; 7 do not vote. Does the motion pass?

No: A majority of those present is 14.

- (8) The bylaws provide that the President makes appointments to committees with the approval of the Board of Directors. The President announces the appointment of Larry Monaco,

Evelyn Gill, and Mike McDaniel to serve on the US Youth Soccer Is The Best Committee. The President does not ask for a vote of approval, and no member of the Board objects, raises a question of information, makes a point or order, or asks for a motion or a vote. Are the members appointed to the committee?

Yes: By not objecting, the Board members have waived their right to a vote.

- (9) 32 members are present. The bylaws may only be amended by a 2/3's vote. On a proposed bylaw amendment, 9 vote yes; 3 vote no; 20 do not vote. Is the bylaw amendment adopted?

Yes: More than 2/3's voted in favor; in fact, it is a 3/4's vote in favor.

- (10) 43 members are present. A motion is made to amend an agenda previously adopted at the meeting. 26 vote yes; 15 vote no. Is the motion to amend the agenda adopted?

No: Such a motion requires a 2/3's vote to amend an adopted agenda..

- (11) 47 members are present. The bylaws of the Monaco Soccer Club provide for election by plurality. The following election results were announced for the office of President:
Monaco Soccer Club member Jim Cosgrove, 16 votes
Monaco Soccer Club member David Messersmith, 13 votes
Queen Elizabeth II(not a Monaco Soccer Club member), 18 votes
Was anyone elected? If so, who?

Yes: Queen Elizabeth II. Unless the bylaws provide otherwise, officers may be elected from outside the organization's membership.
Robert's, p. 431, ll.16-20

- (12) The Monaco Soccer Club has a Board of Directors of 9 members. Its bylaws provide that, for the Board to fill a vacancy, it requires "an 80 percent vote of the members of the Board". There are 2 vacancies on the Board. Six vote to elect Larry Monaco to fill the first vacancy. Is Larry elected? What if Larry is elected, and Tony Buiniskis is nominated to fill the second vacancy. Tony gets 6 votes. Is Tony elected?

Yes. Larry is elected. You do not count vacancies on the Board unless the bylaws provide otherwise. So there are 7 positions filled. Eighty percent of 7 is 5.6. Rounding up, 6 votes are required, and Larry got 6 votes.

No. Tony is not elected. Unless the bylaws otherwise provide, Larry takes office immediately on election. That means there are 8 Board positions that are filled. Eighty percent of 8 is 6.4. Rounding up, 7 votes are required, and Tony only got 6 votes.

On the other hand, if the election to fill both vacancies are held as one election, you would give each voting member 2 votes. Assuming that both Larry and Tony got 6 votes each, then both Larry and Tony would be elected since to fill each of the positions only 6 votes are required.