IAFSS 2021 Virtual General Meeting – Part 2 – Frequently Asked Questions (22 April 2021)

1. Will a Zoom link be provided?

Yes... but only to those eligible members who have preregistered. Preregistration is necessary to control for unauthorized entry to the GM. You must preregister, even if you have already registered for the symposium. Preregistration must be completed by end of day on 28 April 2021.

2. How will voting be handled?

Voting will be conducted within Zoom using the ballot feature.

3. How does ‘voting by proxy’ work?

In general, voting by proxy simply means you empower another eligible member, who is attending the meeting, to cast votes on your behalf. You decide whether your proxy can make choices or if they must follow your specific requirements. To simplify the process, the IAFSS Honorary Secretary is the default proxy. If you choose another eligible member, you must provide confirmation from them in writing that they will attend and vote on your behalf. A proxy form has been developed for use in this meeting. The proxy form can be found here.

4. How will motions and discussion be handled?

Based on our request to members for specific items requiring a vote, there were no items submitted in a format appropriate for voting action. There is one item submitted that will be addressed under Item 10, as it pertains to activities already in process. Also, there are no proposed amendments to the Rules of the Association at this meeting. As such, the only voting will be for approval of past GM minutes, for approval of Treasurers Report, for IAFSS Honorary Auditor (two positions), and for IAFSS Scrutineer (two positions).

- Voting on past GM minutes and on the Treasurer Report will be ‘approve / disapprove’.
- There are three nominees for IAFSS Honorary Auditor and two nominees for IAFSS Scrutineer. Nominees will be listed in alphabetical order. In the case where there is a vote that requires a choice between options (for example, three candidates for Scrutineer and only two positions available), each option (nominee) will be voted on separately, and the options receiving the highest vote counts will be taken as approved.
- We will allow as much time as available for discussion on Agenda items within the one-hour limit of the GM. We apologize in advance if there is inadequate time to fully address an item.

5. Will there be any verification of votes cast?

As per the Rules of the Association, we have two scrutineers who are empowered to verify votes for the election. We will ask the scrutineers to review the proxy votes for accuracy of count. We will rely on the voting component within Zoom for votes cast during the meeting.