Voting roll

IFAGG GA 2026

10.9. Budapest, Hungary

Generalities about elections and voting

Voting is done according to IFAGG Statutes (see: Statutes of International Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics, IFAGG)

- About voting status, in Article 24:
  - Ordinary and club members who have fulfilled their obligations to IFAGG (e.g., paid the membership fee and registered to GA and provided proper power of attorney on time) are entitled to vote
    - Ordinary members 5 votes
    - Club members 1 vote
  - One (1) nominated delegate, authorized by the power of attorney issued by the ordinary member or club member, has all five (5) votes or one (1) vote belonging to the respective member.
- About elections and decisions, in Article 25
  - Elections are with secret ballot
  - Votings are open, usually by show of hands or by roll call. Decisions are generally voted by open ballot, unless majority of the voters insist a closed one.
  - Normal elections and decisions are taken by simple majority of the present votes (exception in Statutes)
- Roll call of delegates and stating of present votes is done in the beginning of the General Assembly.

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Voting procedure

- Before GA
  - Registered delegates who participate online and use the electronic voting system: registered delegate gets an email with test voting link to their personal email (= email informed in the registration) to do the test voting to see how the voting system works. Only 1 nominated delegate per member can vote.
  - Participants in the GA location in Budapest: the delegate with voting right gets the voting cards when entering GA.
- During GA
  - Elections according to GA agenda as a secret ballot. Participants in GA meeting room use voting cards and online participants use “OpaVote” voting system.
    - IFAGG Council members
    - The hosting country for the IFAGG World Championships 2029
  - Other approvals and elections are open, with roll-calls or with show of hand
    - All other votings and decisions
  - Three vote tellers observe the votings and with the electronic voting system tell when the voting can be closed (when new votes are no longer casted) and count the voting cards
- After GA
  - Voting results are shared with the meeting minutes

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Election of Council members (2 will be chosen)

In the GA meeting room

- Write to the voting card the names of the candidates you want to vote, max. 2 names
  - Write clearly in CAPITALS and with pen
- Different color for ordinary members and club members
- Members are called in alphabetical order to cast their vote

Online

- You receive an email from the voting system.
- Check that email is the voting for ”IFAGG Council members” and click the vote button.
- Select the candidates you want to vote, max. 2 names.
- Double check, then press vote.
- Confirm.
- Voting time ends when all votes are casted in the GA meeting room.

Votes from the meeting room and from online are summed up.
Of the elected, the 2 candidates getting the highest votes are elected for 4-year-term (for 2027-2030).

The hosting country for the IFAGG World Championships 2029

In the GA meeting room

- Write the name of the place to the voting card
  - Write clearly in CAPITALS and with pen
- Members are called in alphabetical order to cast their vote

Online

- You receive an email from the voting system.
- Check that email is the voting for “The hosting country for the IFAGG World Championships 2029” and click the vote button.
- Select the place.
- Double check, then press vote.
- Confirm.
- Voting time ends when all votes are casted in the GA meeting room.

Votes from the meeting room and from online are summed up.
The place which receives the most votes is the winner.

About voting system ”OpaVote”

- The same system that was used in IFAGG GA 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025
  - This year electronic voting is offered for online participants with an email link
- Voting is
  - Secure: only authorized voters can vote, only once per voting
  - Anonymous: voting system or IFAGG can’t track who voted for what. It is only possible to see the status of voting per participant, who has casted a vote (email of the authorized voter) and when.
  - Private: the voters names and emails are not used or shared anywhere outside of the voting.
- More information: opavote.com
  - OpaVote is a secure online voting platform that makes it easy to run elections with low cost.

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