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### **Board Election**

### BACKGROUND

The CAPE Charter Board believes that any voting member of the Society may let his/her name stand for election to the CAPE Charter Board.

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- (f) "Members" of the Society includes:
  - A) a "Voting Member", being:
    - i) Parents or guardians of students registered at CAPE, to a maximum of two members per family of each child registered at CAPE; or,
    - a person proposed by the Nomination Committee, or who allows their name to be put forward and, who is elected or appointed to the Charter Board by a favorable vote passed by a majority of the Charter Board Members at an Annual General Meeting, (also referred to as a Community Member). "

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"5.4 CAPE's learning environment reaches into the community to create partnerships which are not only conducive to student engagement but also foster a sense of belonging and of community. These relationships foster and promote life-long learning, global ethical citizenry, and the entrepreneurial spirit. Collaboration within the community allows for learners-mentors and/or role model interactions and for opportunities to participate in experiences that support successful engagement.

9.3.1 Parents are recognized as vital partners in the education of their children and as such are involved in the school through:

- a) partners in the learning;
- b) CAPE Board of Directors;
- c) CAPE School Council;
- d) input in the Education Plan;
- e) consultants;
- f) volunteers;
- g) guest speakers.

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# POLICY STATEMENT

The CAPE Charter Board is committed to an open equitable election process. It also supports the concept of a CAPE Charter Board comprised of community and school community members working together for the benefit of the students.

## DEFINITIONS

- 1. **Equitable -** fair and impartial.
- 2. **Annual General Meeting (AGM) -** a meeting of the general membership of an organization.
- 3. **Nomination -** the act of officially suggesting someone or something for a job, position, or prize.
- 4. **Voting -** a formal expression of opinion or choice, either positive or negative, made by an individual or body of individuals.

## GUIDELINES

- 5. Prior to the Annual General Meeting, the CAPE Charter Board will ensure that all voting members of the Society are informed of the AGM and of the election of Board of Directors through one or more of the following;
  - 6.1 news media,
  - 6.2 CAPE newsletter,
  - 6.3 letters/e-mail.
- 6. CAPE Charter Board will also inform all voting member of the Society that they may, if they so wish, let their name stand for election to the CAPE Charter Board.
- 7. CAPE Charter Board will structure nomination forms and voting forms.
- 8. The election process will adhere to the CAPE ByLaws Sections 5.05, 5.06, 5.07, and 5.08.

## **References:**

CAPE ByLaws CAPE charter

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