

# **2025 BUSINESS VOTE GUIDE**

for Access Credit Union Business Account Holders



# MEMBER VOTE: APRIL 3 - 9, 2025 Board of Directors' Elections

Online voting commences April 3 at 9:00 AM CDT and will conclude on April 9 at 5:00 PM CDT. Vote results will be announced at the Annual General Meeting of Members on April 16, 2025.

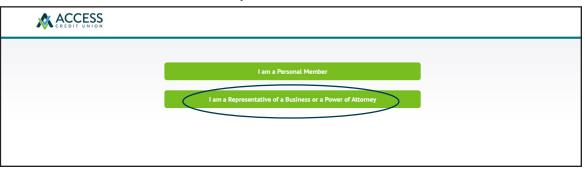
The following guide is for Access Credit Union members voting online at: **accessvotes.ca** 

Voter eligibility details can be found at the end of this guide.

# SCREEN 1: Click on "Cast My Vote".



# **SCREEN 2:** Click on "I am a Representative of a Business or a Power of Attorney."



## SCREEN 3:

Enter the business/power of attorney member number or business/power of attorney debit card number and business/power of attorney postal code. Click **"Submit**".

CREDIT UNION	
Business or Power of Attorney Mer	nbers
Please enter the business/power of attorney member number or	
business/power of attorney debit card number and business/power of attorney postal code.	Business/power of attorney Member Number
	or
	Business/power of attorney DebitCard Number
	Business/power of attorney Postal code
	Submit

#### NOTE:

If the Representative for the Business or Power of Attorney **IS** also a personal member of Access Credit Union, continue to screen 4 in the guide.

If the Representative for the Business or Power of Attorney is **NOT** a personal member of Access Credit Union, skip to screen 5 in the guide.

# **SCREEN 4**:

Enter your personal member number **OR** personal debit card number. Enter your Date of Birth **OR** Postal Code. Read and accept (use check box) the declaration statement. Click **"Submit"**.

Representative's Declaration Form			
Please provide your personal member number or personal debit card number and your date of birth or postal code.			
Representative's Personal Member number			
or			
Represenatative's Personal Debit card number			
Representative's Date of Birth           Month         V         Day         Year         V			
or			
Representative's Postal code			
I hereby declare that:			
I am voting on behalf of a member of Access Credit Union			
<ul> <li>I am duly appointed to represent and vote on behalf of this member</li> </ul>			
I am casting no more than one ballot on behalf of this member			
I am 18 years of age or older			
For Business Members			
I have not voted on behalf of any other business			
<ul> <li>No other person has been authorized to vote on behalf of this business</li> </ul>			
Submit			
By clicking SUBMIT, I am authorizing Access Credit Union to share the personal information that I have input above with Avenue 4 Communications who is acting as scrutineer for			
the member voting process.			



#### **MOBILE APP:**

from a mobile device, login to mobile banking; select one of your accounts and click on the forward facing arrow (>) to view Account Details.

#### ONLINE BANKING:

from a browser, login to the online banking platform; under "My Accounts" choose one of your account and click on the forward facing arrow (>) to view Account Details.

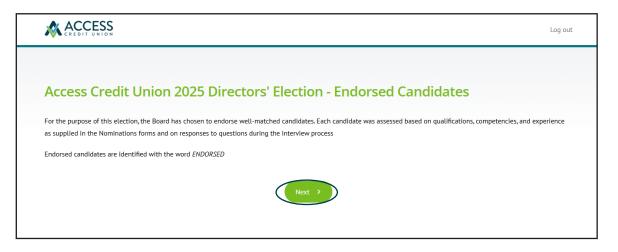
## **SCREEN 5:**

For the purpose of this election, the Board has chosen to endorse well-matched candidates.

Each candidate was assessed based on qualifications, competencies, and experience as supplied in the Nominations forms and on responses to questions during the interview process.

Endorsed candidates are identified with the word ENDORSED.

To continue, click "Next".



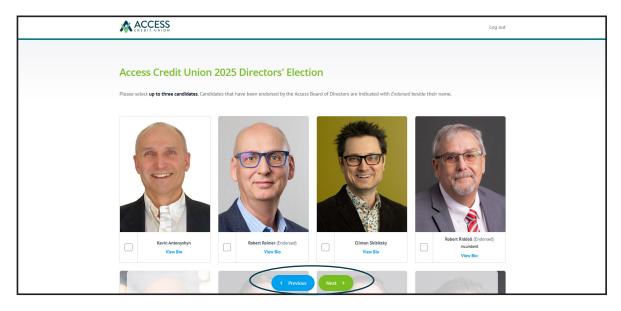
# SCREEN 6:

To view candidate biography, click, "View Bio".

Candidates that have been endorsed by the Access Board of Directors are indicated with Endorsed beside their name.

Please select up to three candidates.

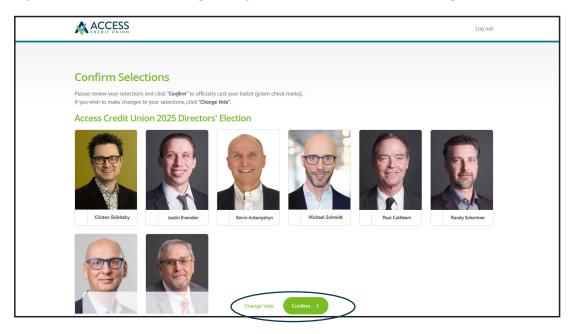
Click "Next".



## **SCREEN 7:**

Review your selections and click "**Confirm**" to officially cast your ballot.

If you wish to make changes to your selections, click "Change Vote".



# **SCREEN 8:**

Your votes are now successfully cast.

Thank you for participating in the Access Credit Union 2025 Directors' Election. Your vote is now cast.	
The results of the Directors' Election will be announced at the Annual General Meeting on April 16, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. CDT via Zoom web conference. <i>Registration is required.</i> To register for the Annual General Meeting or to find out more information, please visit accesscu.ca or contact 1.800.264.2926. Registration closes on April 16, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. CDT.	

# SCREEN 8:

Members can choose 1 of 3 charities and Access will donate \$1 per vote cast. Click "**Submit**" or "**Skip**".

<b>Å</b>	ACCESS	Log out
Cho	oose a Charity	
As a way	y to say thank you for your participation, Access Credit Union will donate \$1 to a charity of your choosing.	
Please s	elect a charity from the options below:	
0	Children's Hospital Foundation of Manitoba	
0	Manitoba Harvest	
0	STARS	

# Voter Eligibility

#### **GENERAL VOTING GUIDELINES**

- Must be a member one share one vote.
- Must be over the age of 18 years.

#### VOTING ON BEHALF OF A CORPORATION OR ASSOCIATION

Corporate Resolution – Business members of the Credit Union must appoint a representative to cast a vote on behalf of the organization. Corporate voting resolutions submitted for past votes remain in effect until they are cancelled or revoked in writing by the Company/Association.

In accordance with the voting notice, all Corporate Resolutions were to be received by Friday, April 5, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

A member that is a corporation or association must appoint a representative to vote on its behalf by completing a resolution [refer to: subsection 68(1) of the Act].

#### TYPES OF CORPORATIONS OR ASSOCIATIONS

- Registered corporations, for example:
  - » ABC Sewing Inc., ABC Sewing Ltd., ABC Sewing Corporation; ABC Sewing Corp.
- Non-profit organizations active and organized sports teams.
- Where there are several sub accounts under the same org record (applies to corporations and non-profit organizations) that entity has one vote, for example:
  - » XYZ Church Ltd may have a separate missions account, youth group account, ladies group account or Sunday School account, they are deemed to be one entity – under the primary account holder, in this case XYZ Church Ltd. is allowed one vote.
- Sole Proprietorship/Trading As Businesses, for example:
  - » Joe Smith operating or trading as Joe's Hauling.
- Partnerships, for example:
  - » Joe Smith and Jane Doe operating or trading as J & J Lawn Care

#### **Proxy Voting**

Access Credit Union's by-laws do not allow voting by proxy.

#### **TRUST ACCOUNTS**

- Not eligible for voting
  - » The trustee cannot vote on behalf of the beneficial owner as that would be deemed to be voting by proxy

#### ESTATE ACCOUNTS

• Not eligible to vote – executors would be deemed to vote by proxy and the by-laws do not allow a proxy vote

#### POWERS OF ATTORNEY

• Powers of attorney may vote on behalf of another member if the Credit Union has received a copy of the power of attorney document and the document specifies that they may vote on behalf of the Member.

#### NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND VOTING ELIGIBILITY

- The cut-off for voting eligibility is governed by Section 62 of the Act, which states that the record date for determining which members are entitled to receive notice of a meeting of members is the closing of business on the day immediately preceding the day on which notice is given.
- Notice will be posted in the local newspapers, therefore in order to be eligible to vote the membership must have been opened by the close of March 18th, 2024.

#### **MINORS' VOTING RIGHTS**

• No member who is under the age of 18 may vote [subsection 67(1)].