

## PASS Board of Directors Elections: Process for Awarding Seats

There are three full-term (two-year) seats up for election for the 2016 PASS Board of Directors election. Two are regional seats: One will represent US/Canada and one will represent LATAM (Mexico, Latin America, and Caribbean). The third seat is an Open seat with no regional restrictions. All elected Directors start their two-year term on January 1, 2017.

The voting ballot this year will be much the same as previous years: a single ballot listing all candidates. The ballot will also indicate which seat(s) an individual is eligible to win. For the regional seat, an individual must reside in a given region in order to be eligible to win that seat\*. Anyone eligible to run in the election is eligible for the Open seat. Community members who are eligible to vote will be granted as many votes as there are seats up for election and may vote for whomever they choose - they will not be forced to cast one vote specifically tied to each seat. Once all of the votes are in, the regional seats will be awarded first, followed by the Open seat.

For example, if the following were the results from the 2016 Election:

Candidate	Seat Eligibility	Number of Votes
Candidate A	LATAM and Open	500
Candidate B	US/Canada and Open	550
Candidate C	LATAM and Open	375
Candidate D	US/Canada and Open	600
Candidate E	Open	450

**Step 1** - Award regional seats. Here is a review of the US/Canada seat:

Candidate	Seat Eligibility	Number of Votes
Candidate A	LATAM and Open	500
Candidate B	US/Canada and Open	550
Candidate C	LATAM and Open	375
Candidate D	US/Canada and Open	600
Candidate E	Open	450

Candidate B & D are eligible for this seat. Candidate D has the most votes and would be awarded the US/Canada seat. Candidate B is still eligible for the Open seat.

Here is a review of the LATAM seat:

Candidate	Seat Eligibility	Number of Votes
Candidate A	LATAM and Open	500
Candidate B	US/Canada and Open	550
Candidate C	LATAM and Open	375
Candidate D	US/Canada and Open	600
Candidate E	Open	450

Candidates A & C are eligible for this seat. Candidate A has the most votes and would be awarded the LATAM seat. Candidate C is still eligible for the Open seat.

**Step 2** - Award the Open seat. All remaining candidates are eligible for this seat.

Candidate	Seat Eligibility	Number of Votes
Candidate A	LATAM and Open	500

Candidate B	US/Canada and Open	550
Candidate C	LATAM and Open	375
Candidate D	US/Canada and Open	600
Candidate E	Open	450

Of remaining candidates, Candidate B has the most votes and would be awarded the Open seat.

Below is the result of the election.

<b>Candidate</b>	<b>Seat Eligibility</b>	<b>Number of Votes</b>	<b>Seat Awarded</b>
Candidate A	LATAM and Open	500	LATAM
Candidate B	US/Canada and Open	550	Open (2 year term)
Candidate C	LATAM	375	
Candidate D	US/Canada and Open	600	US/Canada
Candidate E	Open	450	

\*Eligibility for regional seats to be confirmed at the discretion of the NomCom