Quick Guide to Unit Elections

1) At least 50% of the active scouts in the unit must be present or **NO ELECTION** can be held.

2) Youth Requirements:
   a) Must be under the age of 21
   b) Must be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America
   c) Must hold the First Class Rank
   d) Must have 15 days and nights of Scout camping, including at least one campout of 6 consecutive days and nights, within the past two years.
   e) Must have the approval of the Scoutmaster

   Adult Requirements:
   a) Must be 21 years of age or older
   b) Must be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America
   c) Must meet the camping requirements of the youth
   d) Must have a nomination form completed by the troop committee, prior to the youth election
   e) A youth election must take place
   f) This is a NOMINATION, not an election, the candidate will be notified of his acceptance

3) The Scouts may vote for as many of the Scouts on the ballot they feel are qualified to be a member of Scouting's National Honor Society. All Scouts under 21 vote for youth nomination.

4) The minimum number of votes needed to be elected is determined by the number of ballots turned in.
   a) If the number of ballots turned in is even, divide by two
   b) If the number turned in is odd, add one, then divide by two
      Example – 6 ballots turned in – 3 votes needed to be elected
      7 ballots turned in – 4 votes needed to be elected

5) If a name appears more than once on a ballot, that ballot's votes are disregarded. The ballot is still counted in determining the minimum number of votes needed.

6) If the unit is attending summer camp someplace besides Camp Hank Forker/Custaloga Town, they must contact the lodge adviser to make special arrangement. (Latest National Policy is to NOT allow Calling Out Ceremonies outside of your home Council.

7) Leave post card with registration information for **only the youth** that were elected, **NOT** the adult. Remind the leader that if the form is not received by **June 1st**, the Lodge will contact the candidate concerning his membership opportunities.

8) Make sure the form is signed by the members of the election team.
   Leave the second (yellow copy) of the election report for the Scoutmaster's record.
   Return the form to the service center within one week of the election.