

SEBS Election Rules - 2080 (2023)

1. INTRODUCTION:

SEBS Constitution 2052 (Amendment: 2070 and 2080), Section 4 (Clauses 10, 11, 12, 13) stipulates the holding of an Annual General Meeting (AGM) and executive committee members. The Sub-Articles under the above Article further define and clarify the role, duties, and rights of the AGM.

The SEBS Election Committee (EC) is formally constituted biennially as per Section (7), of the SEBS Constitution in order to organize and hold elections for the formation of a successor SEBS Executive Committee during the AGM.

As per Section (7) Article 21 (b) of the SEBS Constitution, the incumbent SEBS Executive Committee (2021/2023) constituted a 3-member SEBS Election Committee-2080, for the purpose of conducting election for the incoming SEBS executive committee (2023/2025). The Committee comprises of a Chairperson and two members.

The Committee, as per its mandate, hereby presents the following plan for the electoral process and set of rules for the holding of the new Executive-Committee election at the 41st SEBS AGM -2023 [scheduled by the Executive-Committee for September 2, 2023 (Bhadra 16, 2080)]

2. ANNOUNCEMENT FOR SEBS ELECTION 2080

As per its mandate, SEBS Election Committee-2080 hereby announces the following election timetable for the new election. Although we have piloted the use of online voting through SebsOnline in 2013 and other SEBS AGM elections held since then, because of lack of legal clarity and the need for more time to prepare technically, the election Committee has decided to use on the spot voting for this AGM.

The Committee has formally opened the electoral process from today. The following timetable is proposed for information and full adherence and cooperation by all the SEBS members. The timetable however may be subject to changes for any unforeseen situations or if deemed necessary and as decided by the Election Committee.

2.1 Election Timetable 2080

Interested candidates who want to run for the election can send the filled SEBS Candidacy form and the copy citizenship card and send us via email by September 01, 2023, Friday end of day but official registration needs to be done by person at the AGM venue.(with confirmation of nomination payment receipt and photocopy of citizenship card). Email can be sent at sebselection@gmail.com (for the purpose of documentation and management ease).

Official Endorsement of Election Committee by AGM September 2, 2023

Election process will start and end on September 2, 2023 at the AGM Venue

- 12:20 PM: Start of Filing of Candidacy
- 12:20 PM: Publication of Voter List for the SEBS Election (**Only those registered by 12:10 PM**)
- 12:25 PM - 12:45 PM: Objection against voter
- 12:45 PM: Publication of Final Voter List for the SEBS Election
- 1:10 PM: End of Filing of Candidacy
- 1:10 PM – 1:20 PM: Announcement of preliminary list of candidates
- 1:20 PM – 1:40 PM: Withdrawal of/Objection against candidates

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- 1:45 PM - 2:00 PM: Declaration of final list/all candidates at the AGM Venue
- 2:15 PM - 2:50 PM: Introduction of the candidates
- 3:00 PM – 3:45 PM: Voting Process
- 3:50 PM – 4:20 PM: Vote Counting
- 3:50 PM – 4:00 PM: registration of complain regarding the voting
- 4:25 PM – 4:30 PM: Final declaration of Results
- 4:30 PM – 4:50 PM Handover to the new Ex-Comm., photography of newly elected ex-comm. with election committee
- 5:00 PM: All election proceedings completed

3. SUBMISSION OF CANDIDACIES

3.1 Executive Committee Positions:

As per Section (4) clause 13 (sub-clause 1) of the SEBS Constitution 2052 (Amendment, 2080), SEBS Executive Committee will consist of a maximum of 15 members including 10 elected members and 4 nominated members. The Committee will oversee the elections for the following 10 positions, only.

1. President (1)
2. Vice president-VP (2)
3. General Secretary (1)
4. Treasurer (1)
5. Executive Members (5)

3.2 Criteria for the Candidates:

The SEBS constitution has following criteria for the members interested to serve in the SEBS Executive Committee:

- Should not have been declared incapable by the law, or convicted for criminal offences.
- Should be in sound physical and mental health.
- Candidate must be a member of SEBS.

The person desiring to be the President of SEBS should fulfill the following additional criteria:

- Should have served at least 1 year in the previous Executive Committees of SEBS.
- Should be of at least 25 years of age on the final date of submission of candidacy.

3.3 Nomination Fees:

The non-refundable nomination fees for the different positions of the executive committee are as follows:

President: Rs. 5,000.00

Vice President: Rs. 3,000.00

General Secretary: Rs. 3,000.00

Treasurer: Rs. 3,000.00

Executive Member (6 positions): Rs. 500.00

Interested candidates may deposit the nomination fees online or during the SEBS AGM. However, nomination forms without the proof of deposit of the nomination fees will not be acceptable.



Proof of the deposit must be sent to the election committee using the email sebselection@gmail.com or bring the printed copy while filing the nomination.

3.4 Submission of Nominations:

Candidates should submit their nominations by filing the 'SEBS Election Candidacy Form' and a copy of citizenship at the event venue personally during the specified duration. For the purpose of management, interested candidates are requested to fill the 'SEBS Election Candidacy Form' and citizenship's copy, scan and email it to sebselection@gmail.com.

3.5 Confirmation of Application:

The SEBS Election Committee will confirm and acknowledge each application for candidacy. Subsequently it will make a formal announcement on the first list of the total number of applications received for different positions.

3.6 Mandatory physical presence during AGM:

Potential candidates seeking office are required to be physically present at the SEBS AGM. Candidates who are not physically present themselves at the AGM venue in Kathmandu on the day will not be included in the final list of the candidates and will not be allowed to contest election.

3.7 Withdrawal/Rejection of Application and Publication of Final List of Candidates:

The SEBS Election Committee will provide reasonable time for objections to any of the candidacies and withdrawal of nominations.

3.8 Eligibility to Vote:

Only SEBS members who have signed themselves present in the official register at the AGM shall be permitted to vote. The time of closing the member registration for the voting shall be 12:10 PM. Verification of the names shall be conducted as necessary.

4. GENERAL RULES

4.1 All potential candidates are to note the mandatory physical presence provision (3.6 above)

4.2 Objections/Disqualifications:

1. For eligible SEBS members who are physically present in the AGM, Election Committee has the discretion to allow or to disallow filing of nominations based on the principle of "No Objection" for any special circumstances. The Committee's decisions will be final and cannot be contested.
2. Any candidate attempting to pressurize, or give threat or attempt to harm the members of Election Committee will be automatically declared disqualified and legal action will be taken by the SEBS Executive committee.
3. Strict legal action will be taken to any candidate/ members or personnel found to be creating or trying to create any disturbance to the planned electoral processes.

4.3 Application of the Election Rules:

This SEBS Election Rule-2080 will come into effect on the day of the election i.e. 2 September 2023 (16 Bhadra 2080)

4.4 Ability to Change Rules:

SEBS Election Committee reserves the right to change the rules for smooth functioning of the election process if it is deemed necessary.

Thank you everyone for your cooperation. Best of luck to the interested candidates.

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