

Summary by Alex Kluge about Election procedure of other LHC experiments, [comments on ALICE Constitution](#) and [mail to Peter](#):

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CMS spokesman:

- The candidate who has received at least 50% of all cast votes is elected.
- If no candidate receives this majority, the two candidates with the largest number of votes will participate in a runoff election, which will take place on the same day.
- In the case when there are only two candidates in the first round, or in the runoff, the requirement that the winning candidate receives at least 50% of the votes is dropped.
- However, if blank and spoiled ballots exceed 20% of the votes cast the matter must be referred to the Election Committee who may recommend to the Collaboration Board that a new election be organised.

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ATLAS spokesperson:

- If a pair of co- spokespersons seems to be an optimum solution for ATLAS, the search committee can recommend this team. This would require a 2/3 majority of the CB for approval.
- The outgoing spokesman (OS) must obtain a 2/3 majority for election to an additional term.
- If someone has an overall majority, or the OS has a 2/3 majority, from all the institutions represented then they are elected.
- If this is not the case, then the candidates with the two highest numbers of votes are retained.
- If after the next vote a candidate, other than the OS, has a simple majority, not counting abstentions, then they are elected.
- If the OS has less than 2/3 of the total vote, with abstentions counted against, then he is eliminated.
- Given that the OS's supporters might now prefer to vote for a person who had been eliminated at the earlier round, all remaining candidates are brought back and the voting is repeated without the OS according to the previous rules.
- If the required majority is not achieved, the search committee will seek new candidates.

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LHCb:

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- if only one single candidate 2/3 majority of all possible
- if more than one, i.e. N candidates: each CB member votes for N-1 candidates, candidate with least votes is dropped. Repeat until only one candidate.
- if final candidate has not 2/3 a final vote is done with 2/3 majority required.
- If no candidate is selected by the procedure specified above then the discussion of the short list is reinitiated.