I have seen more CORVA emails in the last month than I have in the twelve or so years that I have been on the CORVA BOD. With your help we have discovered that our bylaws need an update, that the BOD has made procedural errors over the years plus many of us lack a complete understanding of our bylaws. Bruce Brazil and Bruce Whitcher (Thank you Bruce and Bruce) have spent close to one hundred hours working in collaboration with the Annual Conference Planning Committee to develop a consensus of how the voting will be done to comply with our bylaws and Roberts Rules of Order. We have even consulted a Senior Mediator/ Professor from California State University Sacramento to ensure we have been as accurate as possible. Not everyone is going to agree with this process, but this is what we must work with. Over the next year CORVA will be working on updating our bylaws which will be voted on in 2023. So get yourself a copy of the Roberts Rules of Order and start studying. Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised is available from Amazon for less than fifteen bucks but make sure you get the official and latest edition. I also purchased Roberts Rules of Order for Dummies to help understand the rules.  This handbook is very helpful to readers of Roberts Rules, whether they are a novice or a veteran.

This is how things are going to proceed. The following procedures pertain to the Northern Regional conference and the election for statewide office during the Annual Conference in the afternoon.

* **Voter registration will stay open until the conference is called to order**. Although not in the bylaws this is how CORVA has historically handled voter registration and this gives late arrivals a chance to vote. All Members who wish to vote will be verified against our most current Member database to ensure they are in Good Standing.
* **Delegates must be credentialed**by presenting a completed CORVA Club or Non-Club Letter of Assignment. Non-club delegates must present a petition or completed proxy forms with the names of all members they represent.
* **The membership status of proxy voters will be verified.**Scanned or PDF copies of Proxies will be accepted if they have a signature. Emailed proxies with no signature and proxies not on the CORVA proxy form will not be accepted. Proxy forms must include the name of the delegate who has been chosen to carry the proxy. Any Proxy forms that state which candidate the Delegate should vote for will not be accepted.
* **For Regional elections the candidates and voters must reside in that region.** Candidates, voting members and delegates must reside in the electoral region.
* **For election to statewide office voters and candidates must be members in good standing.**
* **Nominations will be taken from the floor**. Each nominee will have two minutes to speak. Members in attendance will be allowed to ask questions of each nominee, up to 20 minutes will be allotted for questions and answers.
* **All Voting will be done in person**. This is spelled out clearly in our bylaws. Due to this requirement, we cannot accommodate Zoom voting. Index cards will be supplied as ballots for voting.
* **Votes will be counted by a three-member Tellers Committee and sealed for storage.**This procedure is specified by the bylaws. As President I will appoint two Board Members and one CORVA Supporting Member from the floor to serve as the Tellers Committee.
* **The proposed agenda for the Annual Conference is attached.**  CORVA is using the guidance of the latest edition of Roberts Rules of Order for a ‘convention’,not regular meeting. The Annual Conference has a different purpose. The purpose of the Annual Conference is to vote on bylaw changes, awards, and the election of Officers. Please bring any items to be considered for changes to the proposed agenda that relate to the purpose of the Annual Conference to our attention immediately. I hope the BOD will accept this proposed agenda, so no time is wasted considering changes unrelated to the purpose of the Annual Conference as it is commenced. Items not on the agenda will not be discussed. Any other items will be placed on the agenda of the regular May BOD meeting.

Unfortunately, the CORVA BOD did not pass a bylaw change that was proposed a few years ago that would have allowed us to adopt new bylaw changes throughout the year.  This means that 2024 will be the first election when we will be able to apply new voting procedures. I am hoping to see the entire BOD this Saturday and many CORVA Members.

**CORVA Annual Board of Directors Conference Proposed Agenda**

April 30, 2022, at Prairie City SVRA, 1:30 PM Call to Order

**Roll Call & Welcome from President**

* Introduction of Board of Directors and Guests
* Review, Revise, and Accept Agenda

 **Board of Directors Officer Nominations and Elections**

* VP Administration
* VP Sales and Marketing
* Treasurer
* Installation of new officers by President

**By-law Amendment**

 **2022 CORVA Awards**

* Nominations
* Discussion
* Voting by Board of Directors

 **Adjourn CORVA 2022 Annual Conference**