



SCSI Trade Association

**To: Primary Representatives of Principal & Sponsor Member Companies**  
**From: Michael LoBue, Executive Director**  
**Date: December 10, 2015**  
**Re: Election of Directors for the 2016 STA Board of Directors**

At the 2016 Annual Meeting, on January 13th, 2016, you will be electing board members for one-year terms -- effectively for 2016. Let me review a few particulars from your bylaws about this process.

1. The board "shall consist of not less than seven (7) nor more than eleven (11) directors. The director must be an employee of a member at the time of his or her election or appointment to the board." (Article IV, paragraph 4.2)
2. There are two methods for nominations. First, Paragraph 4.3 calls for the formation of a Nominating Committee, which shall make a report to the board of directors within 30 days of the Annual Meeting.

That committee was appointed at the November board meeting and it did in fact report to the board. The committee (Jeremiah Tussey, Jay Neer, Greg McSorley and Chet Mercado), submitted the following nominees to the board for their review and approval. On December 10th the board accepted these nominations:

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| 1. Cameron Brett (Toshiba)  | 6. Chet Mercado (HGST)        |
| 2. Mike James (SanDisk)     | 7. Michael Miller (Seagate)   |
| 3. Rick Kutcipal (Avago)    | 8. Jay Neer (Molex)           |
| 4. Gary McCulley (Intel)    | 9. Jeremiah Tussey (PMC)      |
| 5. Greg McSorley (Amphenol) | 10. Paul Wassenberg (Marvell) |

The second method to nominate directors is to do so at the actual Annual Meeting. Before I call for the final vote of the above nominees I will make one last request for nominees from the floor. Then I shall call for a vote of all the nominees.

The bylaws are not specific on the voting thresholds for electing directors. However, paragraph 3.15 of the bylaws provides for rules about membership approval of general matters:

"If a quorum is present [51% of the existing members], the affirmative vote of a majority of the members represented at the meeting shall be the act of the members."

This has been interpreted to mean:

1. Member representatives are allowed to vote for ten nominees, as there are ten seats to be filled by a vote of the board earlier this year.
2. Each member representative may cast all eligible votes per ballot, but only one vote per nominee.
3. The top ten nominees receiving a majority of the quorum's vote are elected to the board.

If you are your company's primary representative and you are not able to attend the Annual Meeting, you may execute the following Absentee Ballot.

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BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS

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Please pick one of the following voting methods:

- A. Execute this ballot and return it to the STA office, especially if you are not planning to attend the 2016 Annual Meeting of the membership. Ballots returned to the office need to arrive NO LATER THAN 5:00 Pacific Time, Monday, January 11th to be counted. Please send fax ballots to **415 727-3699**. Please email ballots to: [Info@scsita.org](mailto:Info@scsita.org) (you may simply type in the name of the nominees for whom you are voting).

OR

- B. Deliver this completed ballot to the meeting of the membership on January 13th, or complete a ballot at the meeting (ballots will be provided at the Annual Meeting).

Please cast NO MORE THAN ONE VOTE per nominee:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Cameron Brett (Toshiba)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Michael Miller (Seagate)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mike James (SanDisk)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jay Neer (Molex)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rick Kutcipal (Avago)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jeremiah Tussey (PMC)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gary McCulley (Intel)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Paul Wassenberg (Marvell)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Greg McSorley (Amphenol)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chet Mercado (HGST)	<input type="checkbox"/>	

If faxing this ballot the following must be completed:

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Name of Representative

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Date Completed

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Signature of Representative

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Name of Member Company