



Member Meeting Format, Quorum and Voting

2020 was an unprecedented year.... A pandemic year.

DCEC had no means to conduct required in-person business during a quarantine or lockdown without intervention. In other words, the 2020 Annual Meeting was only possible by a Temporary Emergency Executive Order of the Governor.

As most of the state Cooperative law and therefore matching portions of the Bylaws were written over eighty years ago, the Governor had to intervene and temporarily allow electronic communication and reduce numbers to make a quorum.

On 1 July 2021, the Governor signed into law bipartisan-supported and Cooperative-advocated modifications to the Cooperative law to allow electronic means. As such, DCEC is now able to align the Bylaws to match the amended state law going forward. Changes will allow DCEC to hold meetings partially or solely by electronic means, to count those Members present via electronic means as part of the quorum and to accept electronic, mail and proxy votes.