



Election & Voting Commission

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CMB-S4 Governance

- The **collaboration** is charged with providing the expertise to set the experiment's scientific goals.
- The **project** is charged with the construction of the experiment.
- The **CMB-S4 Collaboration** has a governance structure with elected positions, with elections designed to ensure proportional representation of collaboration.
- The current spokespeople Julian Borrill and John Carlstrom led dual roles as we established the CMB-S4 project, and are transitioning to new leadership roles in the project.
- The role of the spokespeople will now transition to exclusively leading and managing the scientific collaboration.

CMB-S4 Elections

- EVC carries out elections process as determined by bylaws, governing board
- First election for all positions was in 2018, with staggered 2- or 3-year terms
- All full senior and postdoc members (non-provisional) can vote in elections
- Each year, two elections happen, in series
 - **Executive Team**
 - **Governing Board**

CMB-S4 Elected Positions

- **Executive Team**
 - Two Spokespeople
 - Two Science Council Chairs
 - Membership Committee Chair
 - Publications Committee Chair
- **Governing Board**
 - 18 seats for senior members
 - 1 postdoc seat - 1 year term, nominated and elected by junior members
- **All positions are two-year terms open to any senior member (except postdoc rep to GB)**
- **This includes early and mid-career senior members**

CMB-S4 Elected Positions

- **Staggered Elections For Executive Team**
 - In alternating years, elections are held for
 - Odd years (2021, 2023, etc)
 - Two Spokespeople
 - Even years (2020, 2022, etc)
 - Two Science Council Chairs
 - Membership Committee Chair
 - Publications Committee Chair
 - Also any special elections needed to fill vacancies for remainder of term
- **Staggered Elections for Governing Board**
 - Half of seats are up for election each year
 - Postdoc seat is up for election every year

Voting in CMB-S4 Elections

- All ballots are ranked-choice ballots
 - Adopted single transferable vote, counted by Meek's method
 - Instant-runoff voting method is used for single seat elections
- Elections were deliberately designed with multiple seats up for election at a time, with ranked-choice ballots, to ensure proportional representation of collaboration in elected positions
- Staggered elections ensure some continuity within Executive Team and Governing Board

2021 Elections Information - We need YOU!

Executive Team Election

- Spokespeople Election - 2 seats

Governing Board Election

- 9 regular seats
- 1 postdoc seat

Candidates should think about:

- How would I lead the scientific and technical outreach for the project?
- How would I shape the role of junior scientists in the collaboration?
- How would I raise awareness of the project with federal agencies, Congress, media?

Submit nominations here: <https://forms.gle/kaoxDtcwHroWUCzE8>

Contact: evc@cmb-s4.org

Information about candidates and voting will be shared in advance via email.

Ballots will be emailed from noreply@opavote.com