

# Annual General Meeting 2024

## Ballot for the Election of Directors

### Entitlement to Vote

Ballots may be cast by Ordinary Members of QDN whose name and details are recorded in the Register of Members as at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, 7 November 2024.

### Voting Process

All ballots at the 2024 Annual General Meeting must be cast in advance, using this two-part ballot paper form. You must complete and return both parts (this **Verification** page and the **Ballot** page) for your vote to be counted.

Both parts of the ballot paper form must be lodged with the Company Secretary no later than 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, 7 November 2024 (48 hours before the start of the meeting):

**Please read the accompanying *QDN Election of Directors — How do I vote?* instructions before completing this form.**

## Verification

To: Company Secretary, Queenslanders with Disability Network Ltd

I, ..... (print your name)

of ..... (and your address)

am an Ordinary Member of QDN and entitled to vote.

My signature: ..... (sign your name)

Date of signature: ..... (write in the date)

**This page must be completed for your ballot to be counted.**

**It will not accompany your completed *Ballot* page but will be disposed of after your right to vote as an ordinary member has been verified.**

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### Ballot

**Five** directors are to be elected at QDN's 2024 Annual General Meeting.

Please place a tick (✓) or a cross (✗) in the box to the left of the name of each candidate you wish to vote for. You may vote for up to **five** candidates.

If you wish to ensure you have voted for exactly **five** candidates, you may instead place the numbers **1** to **5** in the boxes to the left of the names of the candidates you wish to vote for.

Alison **Barber**

Sharon **Boyce**

Harmonie **Downs**

Wayne **Maitland**

Karen **McCarthy**

Des **Ryan**

Nathan **Slachter**

Nigel **Webb**

## Introduction



There are five vacancies for people on the Board of Directors that have to be filled by QDN members voting for them.

This is in line with QDN's constitution.

The people who have nominated for the positions are called candidates.



### 1. Inform your vote

You can learn about the candidates up for election by clicking on the link below:

- <https://qdn.org.au/about-qdn/2024-AGM/>
- Information about all the candidates is also presented in the **Meet the Candidates** information provided in the AGM Notice of Meeting package.

### 2. Select your candidates

There are five Elected Director positions which need to be filled by simple majority vote of members:

- Review information about the candidates.
- Think about the candidates and who you think has the lived experience, skills and capacity to contribute to a representative and high performing board.
- Decide who are your top five candidates.

### 3. Vote for the 5 candidates you have selected

You can do this two different ways:

(a) Put a tick (✓) or a cross (✗) in the box beside the name of each candidate you want to vote for

**or**

(b) Put a number (from **1** to **5**) next to the name of each candidate you want to vote for.

- Please vote for only five (5) candidates. Each vote counts equally as one vote.
- The five people elected as Directors will be the five with the most votes.
- Votes will be counted by the Company Secretary, watched by an independent scrutineer.



## How to submit your vote



**Submit**

You need to submit your vote for it to be counted.

When you have finished, please send both pages – the **Verification** page and the **Ballot** page.

You need to send them to the Company Secretary at QDN no later than 10.00 AM Thursday, the 7th of November 2024. This is 48 hours prior to the start of the AGM.

There are **three** ways to submit your vote.

You can vote by post, by email or by phone/Zoom meeting with the Company Secretary.

You can read how to do this below.



### By Post

Use this **printed ballot paper form** and reply-paid return envelope:

- Vote by completing the **Ballot** page of the **printed ballot paper form**.
- Complete the **Verification** page with your name and address, then **sign** and **date** this page.
- **Submit** by post using the reply-paid return envelope.
- **Please allow** 7 days plus postal time to ensure your vote arrives by the deadline.

### By Email

Use this **printed ballot paper form**:

- Vote by completing the **Ballot** page of the **printed ballot paper form**.
- Complete the **Verification** page with your name and address, then **sign** and **date** this page.
- **Scan** or **take a photo** of both the **Verification** page and the **Ballot** page.
- **Submit** by email attachment to the Company Secretary at [CoSec@qdn.org.au](mailto:CoSec@qdn.org.au).



### By phone or Zoom appointment with the Company Secretary

If you cannot vote by post or by email, please phone Suzanne Mincher at QDN on **1300 363 783** or email her at [admin@qdn.org.au](mailto:admin@qdn.org.au).

Suzanne will make an appointment for you with the Company Secretary. The Company Secretary will take your vote exactly as you tell him to. There will also be an observer to ensure that you have voted as **you** wish and that it is written down correctly.

