4.0 Membership

Members of the DASC are those individuals and entities that have their membership fees paid up in full and are in good standing with the DASC.

4.1 Voting Membership

Voting Members, in any election, shall vote as either Individual Expert or Organizational Entity members, as defined in the procedures of the IEEE-CS SAB. Voting Members are those Members who have attended 3 of the previous 4 DASC meetings. For the purpose of maintaining voting membership, votes conducted between meetings will be equivalent to meeting attendance.

4.2 Observers

Observers shall be permitted to participate in discussions at DASC meetings and in email discussions in accordance with the procedures of the IEEE-CS SAB.

Observers have no voting right in any election.

6.1 Quorum

There shall be a quorum for conducting business at a meeting. If a quorum is not present, actions may be taken subject to confirmation by letter or electronic ballot, as detailed in Section 7.37.4. See *Robert's Rules of Order (revised)*. A quorum is considered to be 50% of the Voting Members of the DASC. If a quorum is not present at a meeting, including those present using teleconferencing facilities, the Chair may choose to conduct certain business of the meeting via email or electronic ballot as appropriate.

7.0 Voting

Voting can be conducted for several reasons, including electing new officers, modifying the process and procedures, or when conducting DASC business. The following rules shall apply in all these situations.

7.1 Voting eligibility

Voting Members shall vote as either an Individual Expert or as the Designated Representative or as the Alternate Designated Representative for an Organizational Entity member, as defined in the procedures of the IEEE-CS SAB. Voting Members are those Members who have attended 3 of the previous 4 DASC meetings. For the purpose of maintaining voting membership, votes conducted between meetings will be equivalent to meeting attendance.

For any vote of the DASC, a person Voting Member shall not vote as both an individual Expert of the DASC and as the Designated Representative or as the Alternate Designated Representative for an eOrganizational Entity member of the DASC.

During a meeting, a Member who is an Individual Expert currently representing an Organizational Entity would, for the purposes of maintaining voting rights, also be considered present. For an email vote, a Member who is an Individual expert currently representing an

Organizational Entity would, for the purposes of maintaining voting rights, be permitted to vote 'present' as well as cast a vote for the Organizational Entity.

7.17.2 Vote Counting

Votes shall be counted by dividing the number of affirmative votes by the sum of the numbers of affirmative and negative votes. The question being voted upon shall be considered approved if the quotient is greater than 50% except for actions covered in section 7.47.5.

7.27.3 Balloting Positions

Each DASC Voting Member shall vote one of the following positions:

- 1. Affirmative
- 2. Do Not Approve (Negative With Comments the reasons for a negative vote shall be given and should include specific wording or actions that would resolve the objection)
- 3. Do Not Approve (Negative Without Comments)
- 4. Abstain
- 5. Present

7.37.4 Voting By Electronic Ballot

The DASC shall be allowed to conduct DASC business between meetings at the discretion of the Chair by use of electronic ballot. The response period for an electronic ballot shall be at least 14 days. Except as required by 7.4 7.5, an electronic ballot shall require approval by a majority of the returned votes provided that a majority of all the voting members responded.

When sufficient ballots have been returned to determine the outcome of a vote the Chair may announce the result and declare the balloted issue either approved or disapproved as determined by the received ballots.

Within 7 days of the response period for an electronic ballot, the Chair shall publish to the DASC the outcome of the ballot, including the balloting position of each Voting Member who voted in the ballot.

7.47.5 Actions Requiring Approval by Two-Thirds of the DASC Voting Membership

The following actions require a formal recorded vote with approval by at least two-thirds of the DASC Voting Members.

- 6. Adoption of DASC operating procedures, or revisions thereof
- 7. Approval of change of the DASC scope
- 8. Approval of termination of the DASC