

Great Ice Cream Challenge Tally Sheet
January 1, 1970

					# ballots cast:	9
	# 1 ratings	# 2 ratings	# 3 ratings	Totals (# ratings/ points)	Majority consent?	
Chocolate				8	YES	
Points	x1= 1	x2= 6	x3= 12	19		
Vanilla	 			9	YES	
Points	x1= 6	x2= 4	x3= 3	13		
Strawberry		 		6	YES	
Points	x1= 1	x2= 10	x3=	11		
Rocky Road				4	NO	
Points	x1= 1	x2= 4	x3= 3	8		
MINT CHOCOLATE CHIP				4	NO	
Points	x1=	x2=	x3= 12	12		

Instructions for counting WPLUG election votes

For each rating that a candidate gets, place a tally mark in the appropriate column (e.g., if a 3 rating, mark the #3 column). In our example, Mint Chocolate Chip gained several write-in votes and so wasn't pre-printed on the tally sheet.

The number of #1 ratings are then totaled for each candidate, the number of #2 ratings are doubled for each candidate, and the number of #3 ratings tripled. The totals are entered in the "Points" row beneath each name.

The number of tally marks is added across the row and entered in the "Totals" column. The number of points is similarly added and entered below the tally sum.

If the number of tally marks for a candidate is more than half of the number of ballots cast, that candidate has achieved majority consent. Write "Yes" in the last column. Otherwise, enter "No."

A tellers' report is then prepared (can be handwritten) giving the results in a format similar to this:

TELLERS' REPORT
Election of January 1, 1970

Number of ballots cast	9
Received majority consent	
Chocolate received	19 points
Vanilla received	13 points
Strawberry received	11 points
Did not receive majority consent	
Mint Chocolate Chip received	12 points
Rocky Road received	8 points
Illegal votes	
Two ballots contained in a single envelope	

Mary Jones
Mary Jones

Bob Smith
Bob Smith

Votes for ineligible candidates are also included under "illegal votes." Any questionable votes should be referred before making a final report to the chair, who can put the matter before the group for its judgment. Each teller signs the report.

Whoever serves as the chairman of tellers stands and reads the report when prompted by the chair, including the point totals and any illegal votes. Do **not** declare a particular candidate or candidates the winner; only the chair does that.

After reading the report, hand it to the chair who will read it again and declare the winner(s). The report is then turned over to the secretary, who includes it with the minutes of the meeting as a permanent record. The tellers should also turn over the ballots and tally sheets to the secretary; after the election is final, they can be ordered to be destroyed.

[Reference pp. 400-404 of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*, 10th edition]