

## The election process:

- 1. President and the Secretary are responsible for conducting the election for the new EC with the supervision of The Presiding Officer. The Presiding Officer is independent and fully responsible for the election process.
- 2. Nominating nominated, and the voting person should be an active member of Kannada Koota.
- **3. Executive Committee:** a) President b) Vice President c) Secretary d) Joint Secretary e) Treasurer f) Joint Treasurer g) Six (6) Members & h) Two (2) Youth Members

## 4. Active Member

Any person who is actively participating in Kannada Koota events, and supports the Kannada language, culture, & heritage.

The status of being an active member shall be deliberated & approved by the Executive Committee currently holding office. Such persons must pay donation upon attendance to all the events and proper dues; as shall be determined by the Executive Committee. (Amended 2014).

- **5.** Secretary is responsible for making available the copies of latest Constitution and list of eligible members during the General Body meeting. These should be made available to the The Presiding Officer.
- **6.** Current Executive Committee should provide sufficient time to conduct the General Body meeting and the election.
- **7.** Election process should include the election of all the office bearers, including committee members.. Every active member has a right to contest for any Executive Committee position.
- **8.** The Presiding Officer should accept the nomination for all the Executive Committee positions.
- **9.** If there is more than one contestant for any position, The Presiding Officer should allow canvassing process by disclosing the contestant names. Contesting member should have the platform available on the election day to disclose his/her agenda, contribution to the organization and expectations.
- **10. Article XVII:** Election results declared by The presiding officer are final and cannot be contested