

Aleo CodeSprint – zVote.io

Project Description

zVote is a platform to organize private voting for DAOs on Aleo.

While Aleo's native privacy features enable voter addresses to remain private, zVote goes further by leveraging a unique voting system that **does not disclose results before a given time**.

Along with the right [electoral method](#), it allows every vote to be made without knowing the previous ballots. **The goal is to enforce that voters express their true preferences** without being influenced.

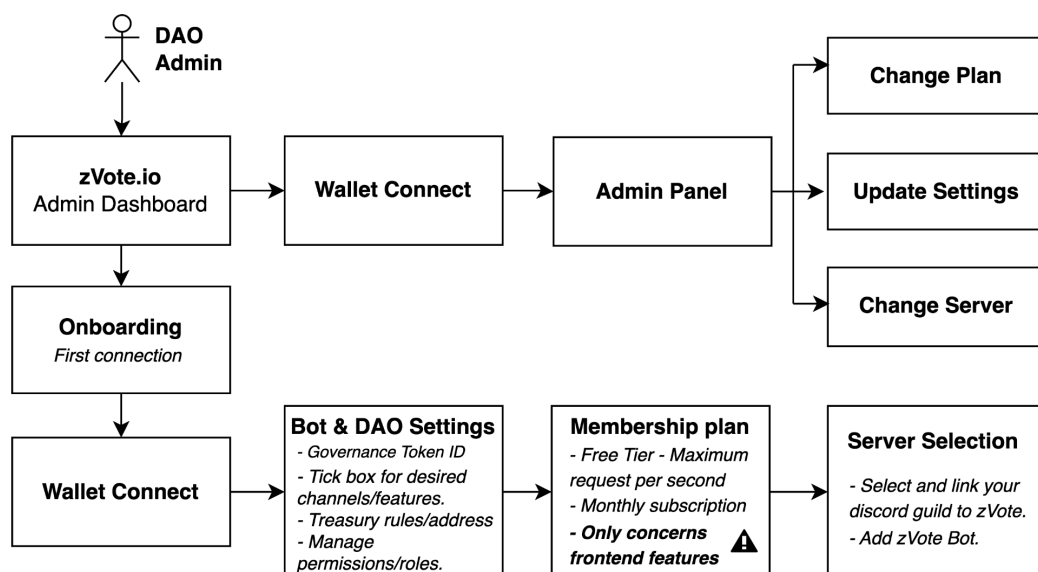
zVote is divided in 2 interfaces:

- **Discord bot** – creates specific channels within a server to organize the DAO voting system and to redirect to the DApp when needed (zVote.io)
- **zVote.io DApp** – Allows discord bot onboarding, settings and all the on-chain actions.

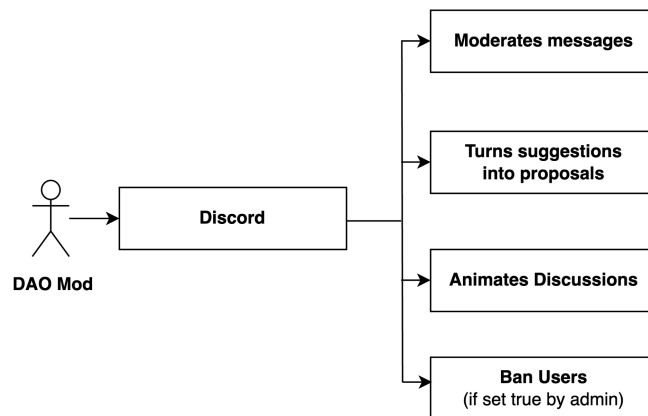
Users Persona

- **DAO admins** – Responsible for onboarding a Discord server on zVote.
- **DAO mods** – Turning members suggestions into proposals.
- **DAO members** – Creating suggestions and voting for proposals.

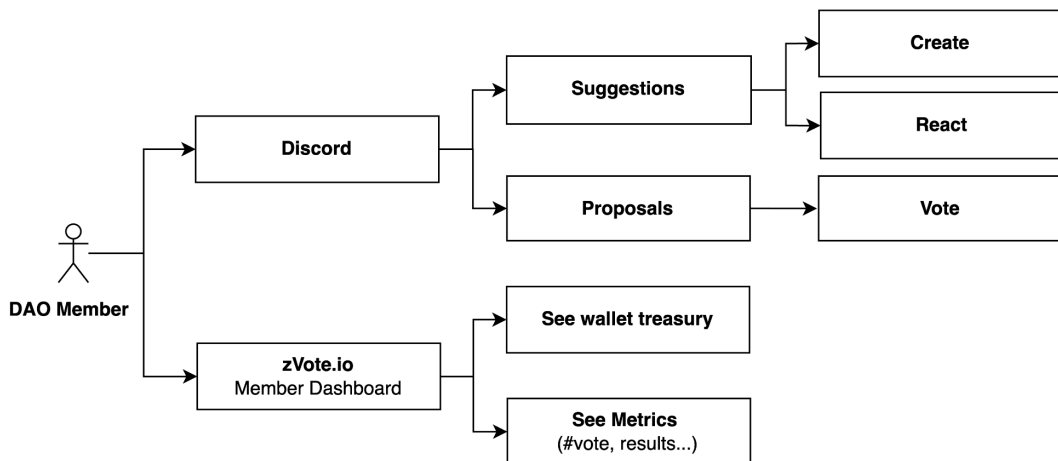
User Flow



DAO Admin User Flow



DAO Mod User Flow



DAO Member User Flow

User Interfaces

Admin Dashboard

A DApp dashboard is the entrypoint for any DAO admin, where he can access the following features:

- **zVote Discord Bot** onboarding
- **DAO initialisation** through smart contract interaction
- **DAO settings management** - Governance ARC21 Token ID, toggle transparency for each DAO metrics
- **Discord Bot Membership** management

Target: Admins

Discord Bot

When zVote Bot enters the server, it creates the following channels:

- **Announcement** - When a new proposal is accepted (Type Announcement).
- **Suggestions** - Suggestion of proposals desired by the community members. React based voting system (upvote/downvote). Interactions for the admins to turn them into proposals to be voted. (Type Forum)
- **Proposals** - Exploration, discussion and voting interface around proposals. Redirecting to Members DApp using Discord buttons UI. (Type Forum)
- **Discussion** - Broader interactions space (Type Text)

Target: Owner, Admin, Member

Voting DApp

Discord UI buttons redirect to the **Voting DApp** where all the blockchain interactions happen:

- **Wallet connect** - Users are uniquely identified with their wallet. Held governance token permanently displayed .
- **Transactions** - Vote/Initiate proposal, signed using `aleo-wallet-adapter` and `aleo-sdk`.
- **Member Dashboard** - Token holdings, history, Active Member Amount (ZK compatible),

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zVote Key Features

- **Self Executing Gouvernance** - Proposals can include automated execution of ARC21 token transfers from the treasury address. Tokens held within the treasury address can also remain private and only known by the DAO members.
- **Fair Vote** - Result revelation is delayed to a specific block in time. Hence voters don't know ongoing results.
- **Voting System (TBD)** - Implementation of [voting system](#) with better properties than trivial methods such as First-past-the-post.

Future Improvements

- **Quadratic voting mechanisms** - Mitigate whale effect. Instead of 1 vote = 1 token , x vote = x^2 token. Bottleneck: relies on tokenized KYC mechanism to ensure uniqueness of account for each voter.
- **Dynamic Voting System** - Ability to choose any desired custom [voting system](#): Randomized Condorcet, Majority judgment, Borda method... Bottleneck: current lack of interfaces implementation on Aleo. They would enable to dynamically switch the voting system, by providing the voting system program address as an argument.