

Process for Conducting the Make-up Election for the 2025 FNL EB Elections

1. **Election Date:** Make-up election for missed 2025 FNL EB election to be conducted in early February, 2026.
2. **Term duration:** The term for FNL EB members elected in the make-up will be from the date the election results become available through the end of the originally intended three-year term (i.e., ending at the conclusion of the spring term 2028).
3. **Voting population:** Current members of the faculty, including Professors of the Practice, faculty post-tenure, and emeritus/emerita faculty.
4. **Number of open positions and nomination slots:** The number of open positions for this make-up election is five; the target number of nomination slots is around 10 (i.e., about twice the number of open slots).
5. **Candidates for nomination:** The pool of eligible candidates for nomination is 21 consisting of 17 individuals who had indicated interest in being considered for the spring 2025 election cycle and an additional 4 individuals who had additionally indicated interest through their response to the most recent faculty committee service survey.
6. **FNL Elections Subcommittee (Kit C., Bob R., Thomas H.)** reached out to each of the 21 candidates on January 15, 2026 to
 - a. Ascertain if they are still willing to be considered,
 - b. Affirmation on whether they want to run for the February make-up election or the regular May election cycle, and
 - c. Solicit a candidate statement of < 200 words.
7. **Candidates:** in response to the outreach of part 6, eleven candidates responded affirmatively and provided candidate statements, headshots, and web links.
8. **Down-selection of candidates:** There is no down-selection of candidates; all the candidates who responded affirmatively will be on the ballot.
9. **Publication of slate of nominees:** The nominees' candidate statements will be advertised to the faculty by an email from Roger Levy, Chair of the Faculty, in advance of the election. Candidate statements will also be made available on the FNL website and on the ballot.
10. **Election process:** The election to be run as usual by MIT Institutional Research Office, using plurality block voting in which each voting member of the faculty may cast as many votes as there are open seats to fill on the Editorial Board. Candidate statements will be linked to the ballot.