

Election of Officers Policy

Associated Board of Dance (ABD)

Regarding the Election of Presidents

The Associated Board of Dance (ABD) upholds a transparent and fair process for the election of Presidents representing both the **Theatre Branch** and the **Ballroom Branch**.

Election Cycle

- Elections for the Presidents of each Branch are held **every two years**.

Eligibility to Vote

- Voting rights are granted to **Full Members** of ABD.
- To be eligible to vote, a member must have held **Full Membership for a minimum of 12 months** prior to the election date.

Voting Process

- Voting is conducted **digitally**, ensuring accessibility and confidentiality for all eligible members.
- Each Full Member is entitled to **one vote per Branch** (Theatre and Ballroom).
- All votes are **independently verified by ABD's appointed accountant** to ensure fairness and accuracy.

Expenses for Elected Presidents

When attending official events or engagements on behalf of ABD, elected Presidents are entitled to the following expense provisions:

- **Attendance fee:** £50 per event
- **Accommodation:** Up to **one night** in a local hotel
- **Travel allowance:** Reimbursement at **40p per mile** for journeys within mainland UK