



## Wait no more: Electronic voting tabulates results in minutes

*An electronic keypad will make voting fast and easy*



This year ASWB delegates will elect four members of the Board of Directors and two members of the Nominating Committee. It's a large slate, to be sure. Members may recall the amount of time consumed by the voting process: the selection of the Tellers, waiting for your ballot, waiting for the ballots to be collected, and waiting for the ballots to be tallied—by hand—by the Tellers so the winners could be announced. Delegates will be happy to know: the waiting is over! Elections will be conducted by electronic voting this year.

The move to electronic voting was prompted by membership comments on surveys following the Annual Meeting in Nashville last year. In coming up with an electronic solution, ASWB reviewed three types of software programs. The selection was based on ease of use, cost effectiveness, and the fact that a representative will be on-site to assist with the voting process. Voting will be completed—and results known—in minutes, not hours.

### **Practice makes perfect**

To allow members to become familiar with the technology, ASWB will provide a voting keypad to every attendee and time to practice by answering a few survey questions. Questions will require a “Yes” or “No” response to mimic the actual voting process.

During elections, only the keypads assigned to delegates or alternates (in the absence of a delegate) will be turned on. This will ensure that voting is carried out according to the bylaws.