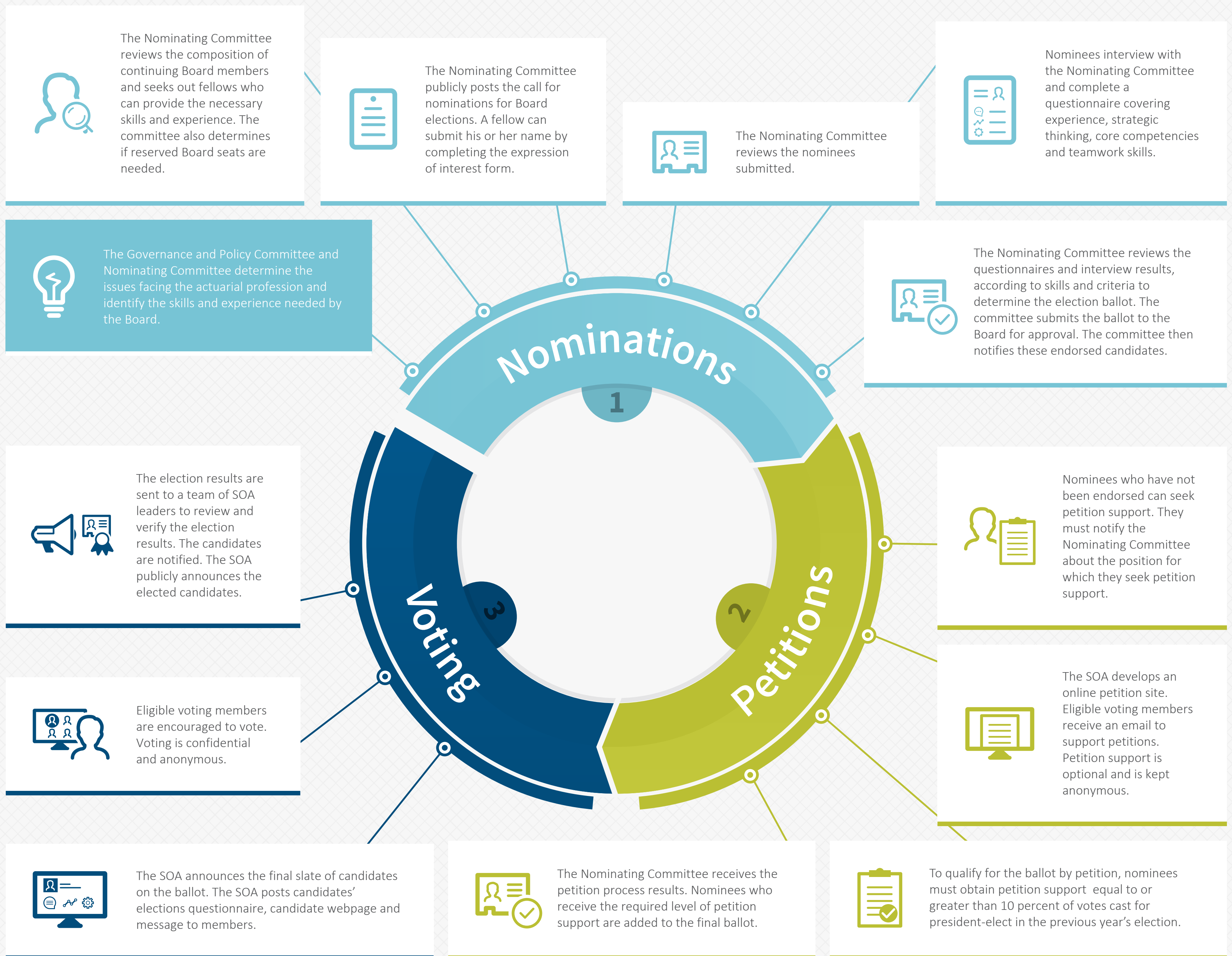# NOMINATIONS
and ELECTIONS Process

Learn about the nominations and elections process for the Society of Actuaries (SOA). Gain insights into the process for electing members to the SOA Board of Directors. One president-elect and five elected Board members are elected each year.

The Nominating Committee reviews the composition of continuing Board members and seeks out fellows who can provide the necessary skills and experience. The committee also determines if reserved Board seats are needed.

The Nominating Committee publicly posts the call for nominations for Board elections. A fellow can submit his or her name by completing the expression of interest form.

The Nominating Committee reviews the nominees submitted.

Nominees interview with the Nominating Committee and complete a questionnaire covering experience, strategic thinking, core competencies and teamwork skills.

The Governance and Policy Committee and Nominating Committee determine the issues facing the actuarial profession and identify the skills and experience needed by the Board.

The Nominating Committee reviews the questionnaires and interview results, according to skills and criteria to determine the election ballot. The committee submits the ballot to the Board for approval. The committee then notifies these endorsed candidates.

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The election results are sent to a team of SOA leaders to review and verify the election results. The candidates are notified. The SOA publicly announces the elected candidates.

Nominees who have not been endorsed can seek petition support. They must notify the Nominating Committee about the position for which they seek petition support.

Eligible voting members are encouraged to vote. Voting is confidential and anonymous.

The SOA develops an online petition site. Eligible voting members receive an email to support petitions. Petition support is optional and is kept anonymous.

The SOA announces the final slate of candidates on the ballot. The SOA posts candidates' elections questionnaire, candidate webpage and message to members.

The Nominating Committee receives the petition process results. Nominees who receive the required level of petition support are added to the final ballot.

To qualify for the ballot by petition, nominees must obtain petition support equal to or greater than 10 percent of votes cast for president-elect in the previous year's election.

About the SOA Nominating Committee

The committee consists of nine fellows who nominate candidates for election, in accordance with SOA policies. Each committee member serves a three-year term and no more than two terms each. The SOA Governance and Policy Committee identifies and appoints Nominating Committee members.

About Eligible Voting Members

Fellows as well as associates who have been members of the SOA for five years or more are entitled to vote in the Board election.

To learn more about the SOA Nominations and Elections Process visit

SOA.org/elections