THE ELECTION MEETING ...... SCRIPT

PRESIDENT: The next item of business is the election of officers. The Secretary will read the bylaws: ARTICLE ____ Officers and their Election.

SECRETARY: (reads designated Article) (Information: officers elected by ballot annually. If there is but one nominee for any office, election for that office may be by voice vote.)

PRESIDENT: Will the Nominating Committee now report.

CHAIR: (reads Report of the Nominating Committee)

PRESIDENT: (rereads the Report)

The Nominating committee submits the following nominations:
For President ........ Carrie Nation
For Vice-President.. Martha Jessup
For Secretary ........ Mary Garcia
For Treasurer ........ Diana Able

PRESIDENT: Carrie Nation is nominated for President.  
Are there any further nominations for President?

Martha Jessup is nominated for Vice President.  
Are there any further nominations for Vice President?

MEMBER: I nominate Joseph Smith.

PRESIDENT: Joseph Smith is nominated for Vice President.  
(Mr. Smith, Do you accept the nomination?)  
Are there any further nominations for Vice President?

Mary Garcia is nominated for Secretary.  
Are there any further nominations for Secretary?

MEMBER: I nominate Carol Douglas.

PRESIDENT: Carol Douglas is nominated for Secretary.  
(Ms. Douglas, do you accept the nomination?)  
Are there any further nominations for Secretary.

Diana Able is nominated for Treasurer.  
Are there any further nominations for Treasurer?

ARE THERE ANY FURTHER NOMINATIONS FOR ANY OF THESE OFFICES? (SCAN ROOM).  
THERE BEING NO FURTHER NOMINATIONS, THE CHAIR DECLARES THE NOMINATIONS CLOSED.
The Chair appoints Jack Jones, Mable Hart and Ann Wait as Tellers. (Ask for a rising count of members.) Will the tellers distribute the ballots, TO MEMBERS ONLY. The Chair will read the complete list of nominations:

For President  Carrie Nation  
For Vice President  Martha Jessup and Joseph Smith  
For Secretary  Mary Garcia and Carol Douglas  
For Treasurer  Diana Able

NOTE: If there is more than one Vice President they should be numbered First, Second, Third, etc. so it would be known which Vice President presides if the president is absent.

PRESIDENT: Since our bylaws allow us to vote by voice when there is only one nominee for an office. We will vote by voice for President and for Treasurer. Then we will vote by ballot for the Vice-President and the Secretary. A MAJORITY VOTE ELECTS OFFICERS.

All those in favor of electing Carrie Nation for President say 'aye' .. all those opposed say 'no' .. the 'ayes' have it and Carrie Nation is the new President.
All those in favor of election Diana Able for Treasurer say 'aye' .. all those opposed say 'no' .. the 'ayes' have it and Diana Able is the new Treasurer.

On your ballots you will note under Vice-President the name of Martha Jessup. Under that name write in Joseph Smith, then put an "X" in front of the name for which you wish to vote.

On your ballots you will note under Secretary the name Mary Garcia. Under that name write in the name Carol Douglas, then put an "X" in front of the name for which you wish to vote.

After you have finished you should fold the ballot in half twice, raise your ballot and wait for the Tellers to collect the ballots.

The Tellers will collect the ballots. Have all members voted who wish to vote?

The Chair declares the polls closed and Tellers will leave to count the ballots.

(WHILE THE TELLERS ARE COUNTING, the assembly may continue with other business, have a program, take a recess, etc.)

(When the Tellers return the Chair of Tellers reads the Report when called for by the Chair. The reporting Teller DOES NOT declare the result of the ballot vote ... that is the responsibility of the presiding officer. The Chair rereads the report and announces the results for each office.)

PRESIDENT: (reads the Report of the Tellers in full)  
The Chair declares Martha Jessup as your New Vice-President and .. Mary Garcia as your new Secretary.

Will all the officers come forward ... these are your new officers.

(NOTE: If no one receives a majority vote on the ballot, the Chair says "Since no candidate has received a majority of the votes cast for the office of Secretary, there is no election, and It will be necessary to reballot for that office.) When reballoting for an office the names of all nominees for that office remain on the ballot. The name of the nominee receiving the lowest number of votes (even if there are 3 or 4 names) is never removed from the ballot unless the bylaws so require or the nominee voluntarily withdraws (but should not be asked to do so). Reballoting is continued until one member receives a majority vote.