



THIRD LEGACY PROCEDURE

Area 47 Elections
September 8, 2024

Owego United Methodist Church
261 Main Street
Owego, NY 13827

- Area 47 Officer Elections are held every other year on even-numbered years.
- The most immediate past delegate present chairs the election Assembly (this year that lucky person is Todd D.)
- Past-Delegates will tally ballots and post results.
- To make the balloting process quicker and easier, eligible voters will be asked to sit in a section separate from non-voters.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE?

All current

- GSR's
- DCM's
- Area Officers
- Area Standing Committee Chairpersons
- DCM-elects

POSITIONS ARE VOTED ON IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1. Delegate
2. Alternate-Delegate
3. Chairperson
4. Secretary
5. Treasurer
6. Registrar
7. Recording Secretary

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO STAND FOR A POSITION?

- DELEGATE & ALTERNATE DELEGATE: All current and past Central New York DCMs and Area Officers.
- CHAIRPERSON, SECRETARY, TREASURER, REGISTRAR, RECORDING SECRETARY: All current and past Central New York DCMs, DCM elects, and Area Officers.

ELECTION PROCEDURE

- Prior to the election of each office the qualifications will be read from the A.A. Service Manual.
- To begin nominations, candidates willing to be considered for the position will be asked to declare themselves by standing up. If qualified, their names will be listed on the board.
- It has been a custom in Area 47 that, prior to the closing of nominations to each position, the Assembly is asked if they wish to open the nominations to any other individual A.A.'s. If approved by a simple majority, additional nominations are accepted if seconded.
- Each candidate will be allowed two minutes (timed) at the mic to state their qualifications or reasons they want to hold the position.
 - If they have stood for a previous position (in this election) they will be allowed one minute (timed) at the mic.
- Before the voting starts the candidates will be asked to leave the room.
 - If the candidates are eligible voters they may do so, and a runner will collect their ballots.

And away we go....let's elect a Trusted Servant!

QUICK PROCEDURE REVIEW:

- ✓ Position qualifications are read from the A.A. Service Manual.
- ✓ Those wanting and willing to be considered declare themselves by standing up.
- ✓ If qualified, their names will be listed on the board.
- ✓ For this example, the Assembly votes to accept nominations of any other individual A.A.'s. Nominations are made and seconded. If the nominees are willing to serve their names are added to the board.
- ✓ Candidates give their service resume and/or reasons for standing.
- ✓ Candidates are asked to leave the room.

IMPORTANT NOTE

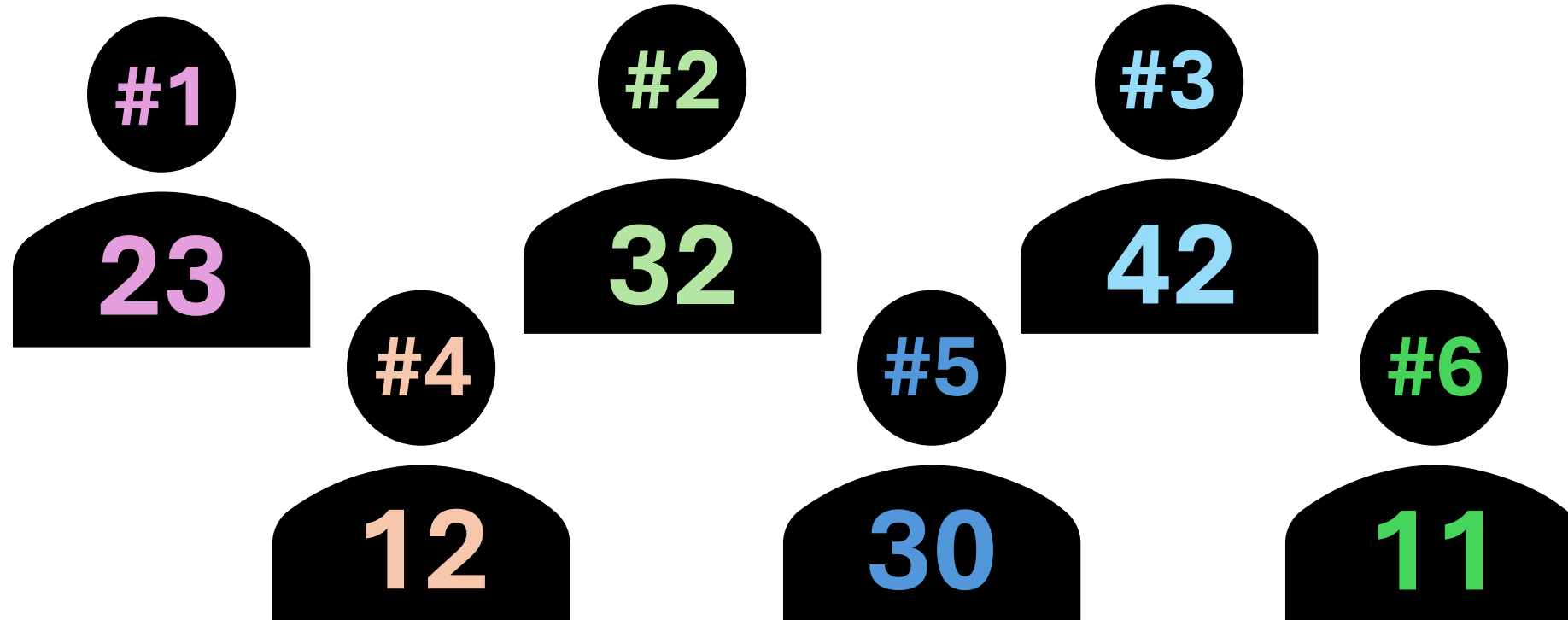
Once you have voted in the first ballot for a position, PLEASE DO NOT BE ABSENT OR ABSTAIN from subsequent ballots for the same position - continue voting until the position is filled.

Otherwise, it messes up the count!

LET THE VOTING BEGIN!

Paper ballots are passed and collected....

BALLOT 1 RESULTS



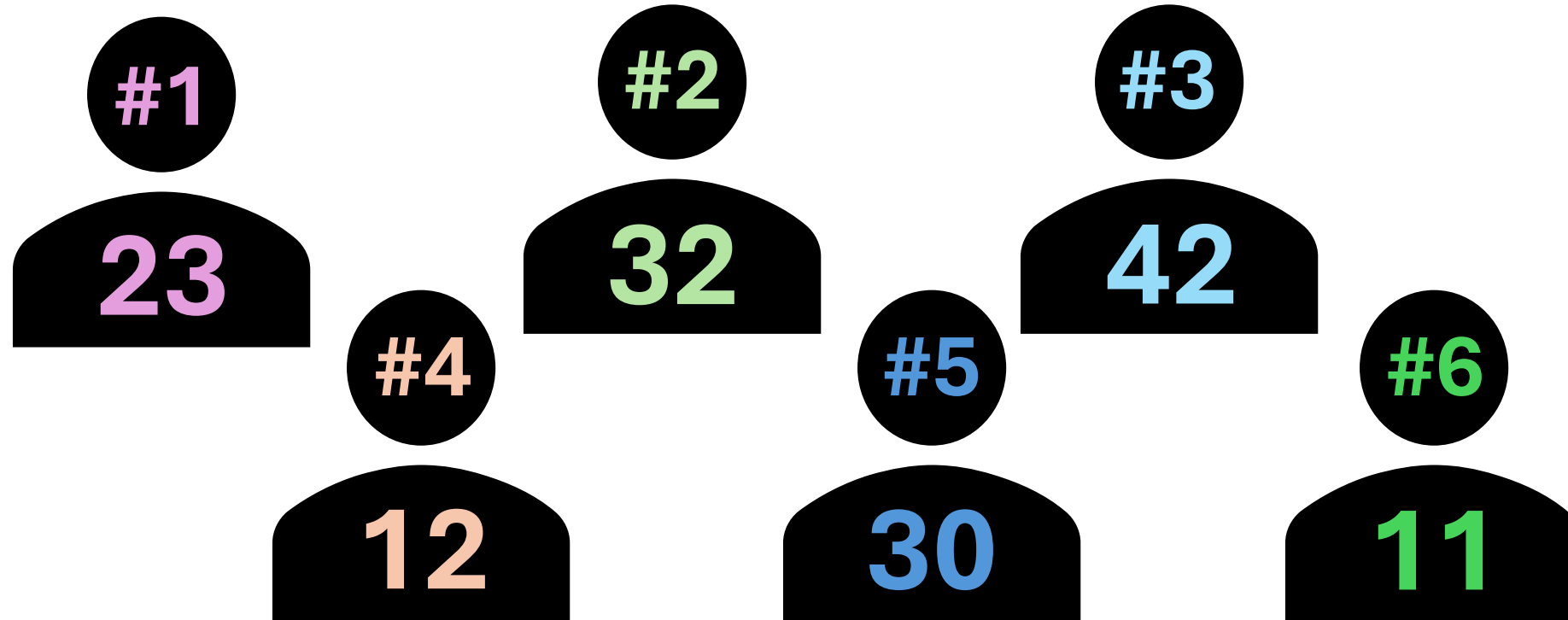
150 voters

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$1/3 = 50$

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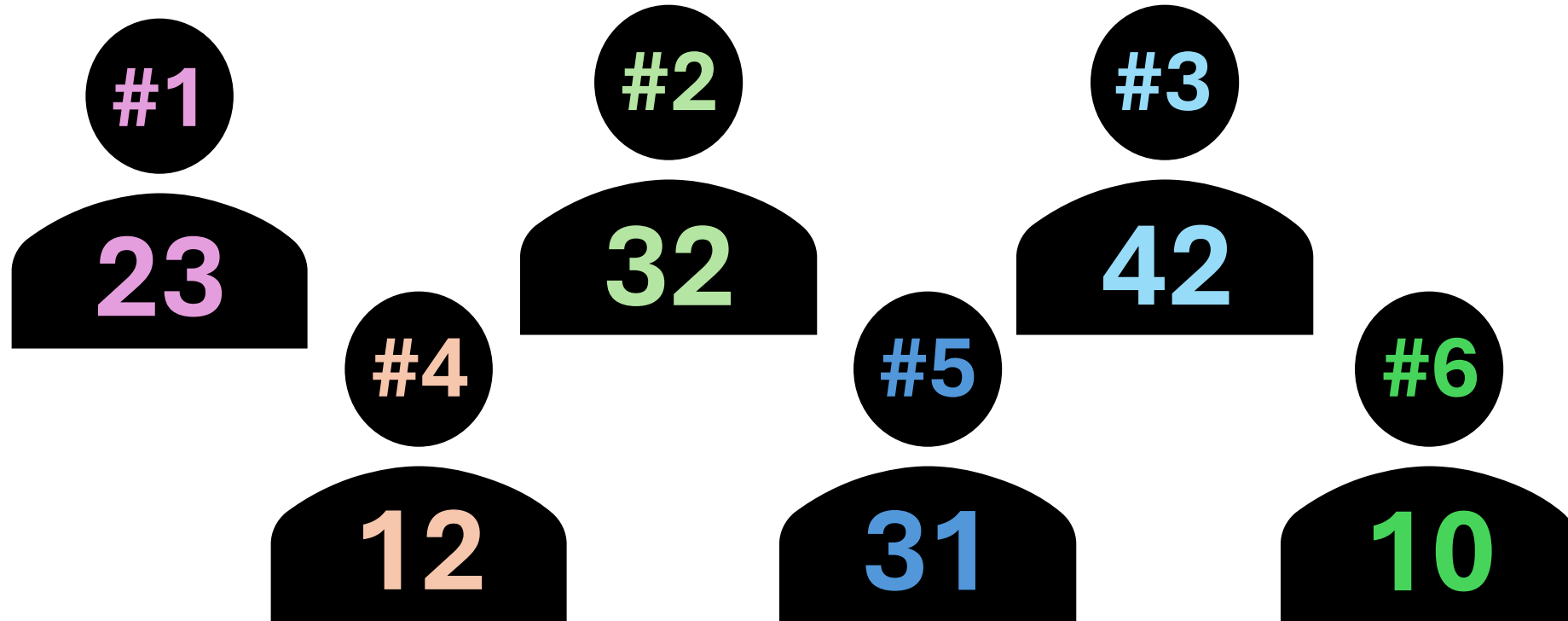
$2/3 = 100$

*Does one candidate have
2/3 majority of total vote?*

YES  *Candidate with 2/3 majority is elected*

NO  **MOVE TO THE NEXT BALLOT**

BALLOT 2 RESULTS



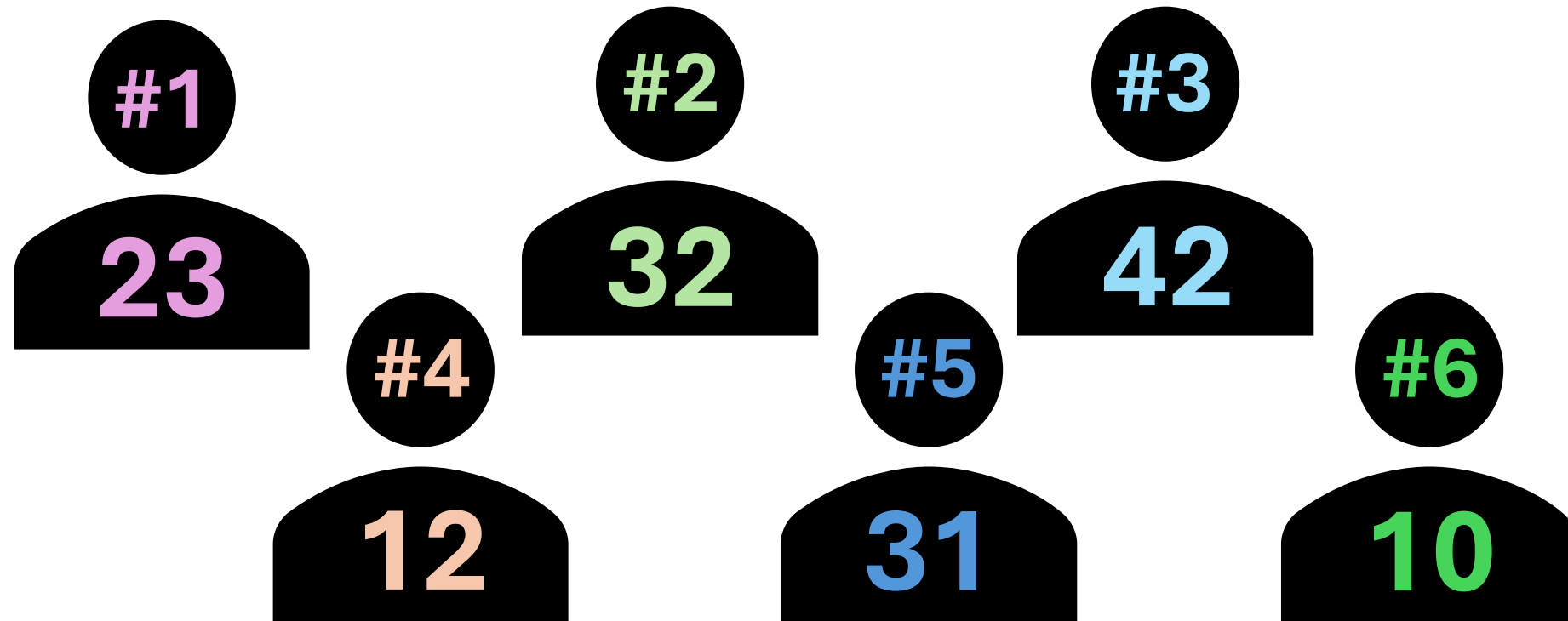
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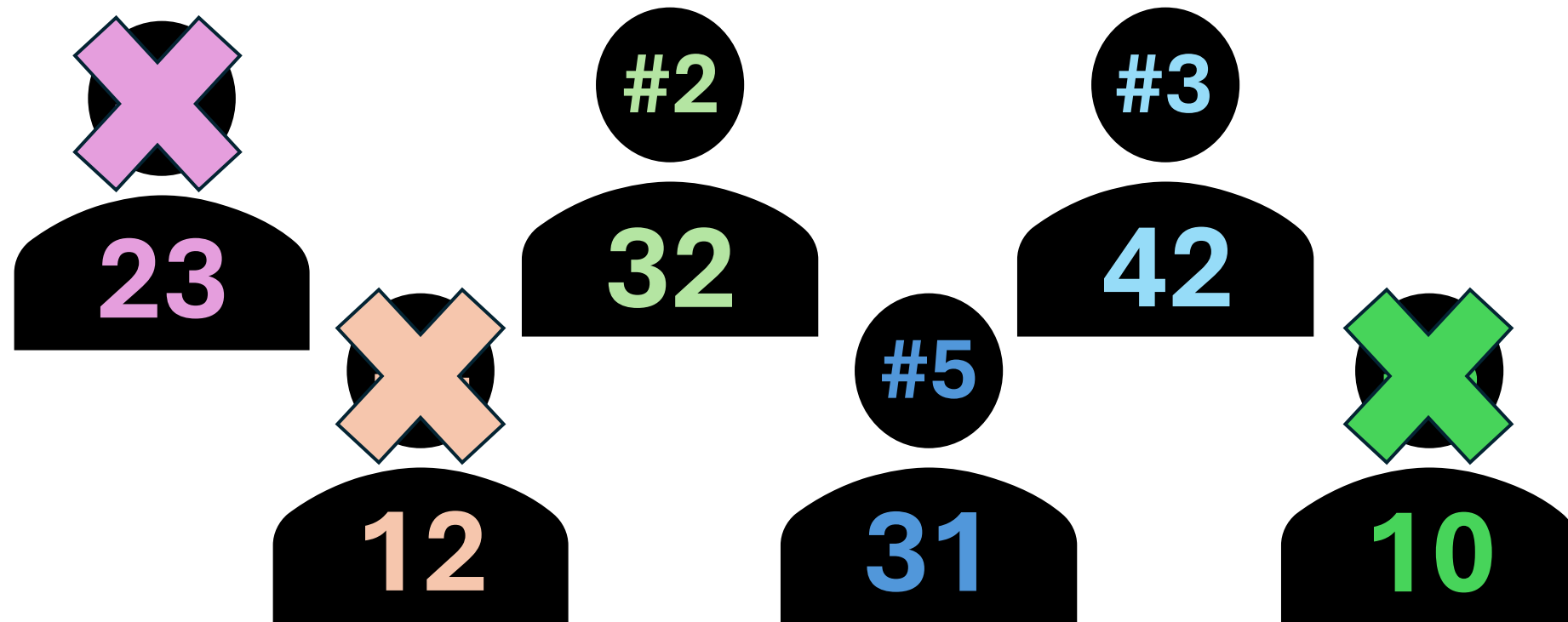
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Does one candidate have
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NO → MOVE TO THE NEXT BALLOT
But first

BALLOT 2 RESULTS



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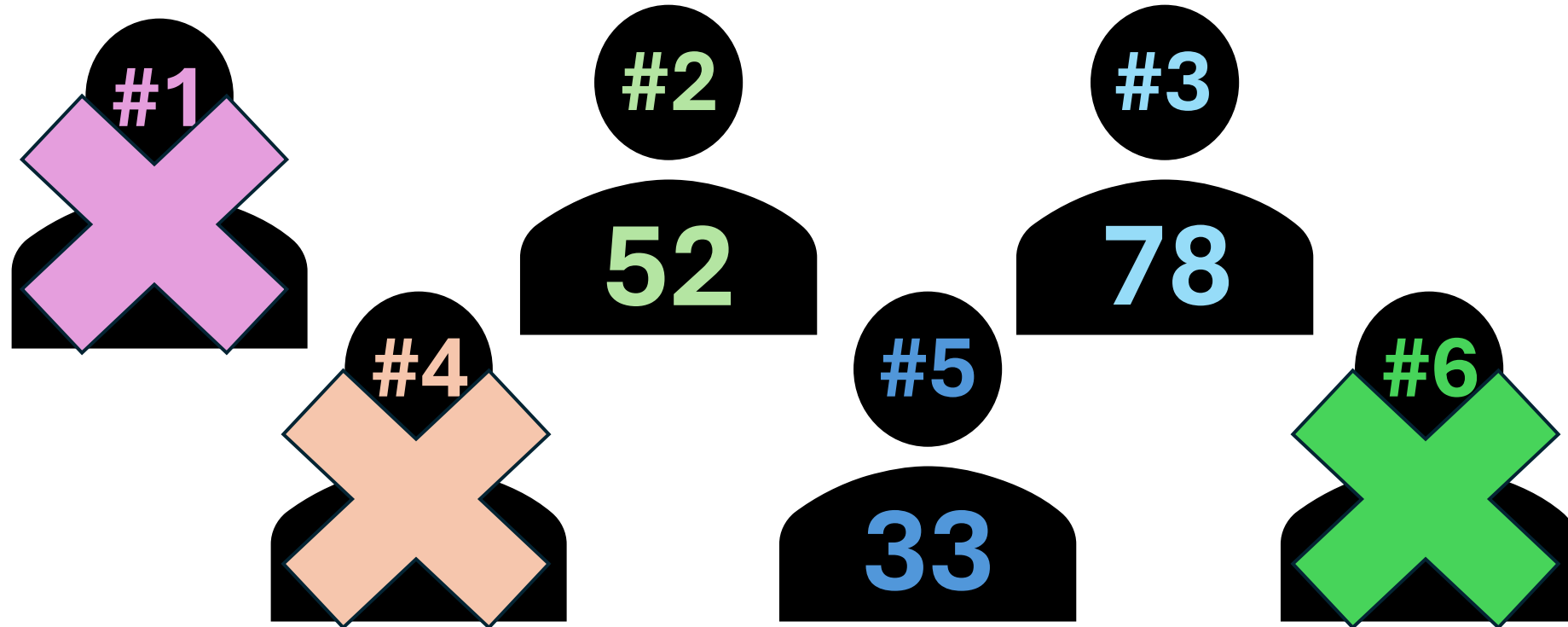
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******Candidates with less than 1/5 of total vote are withdrawn***
THEN we move on to ballot #3***

BALLOT 3 RESULTS



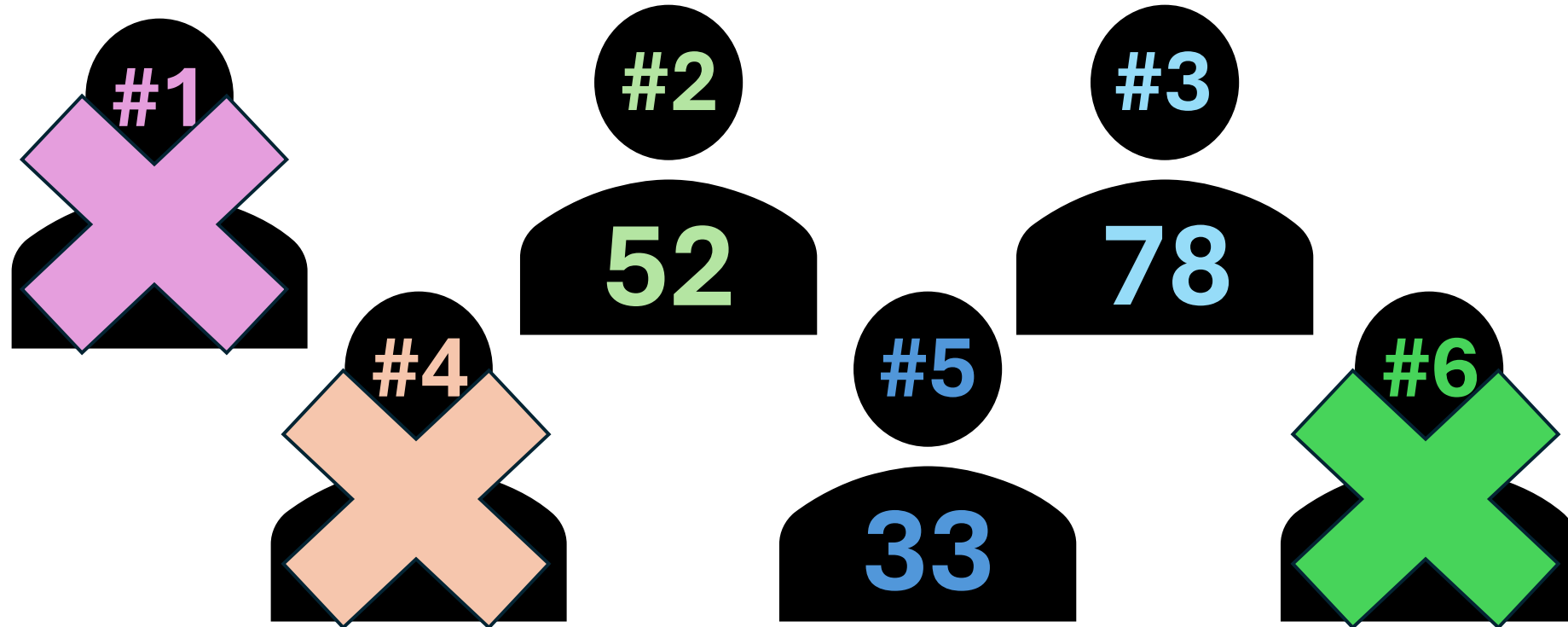
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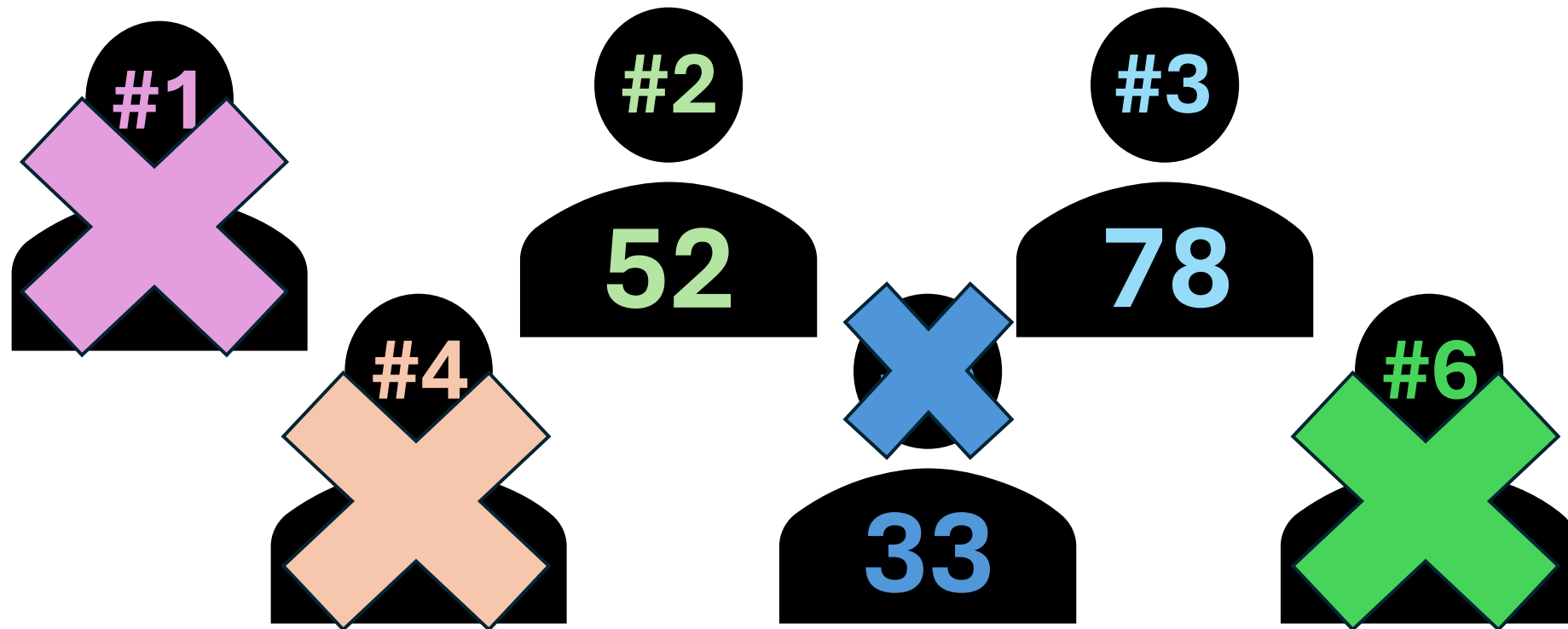
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BALLOT 3 RESULTS



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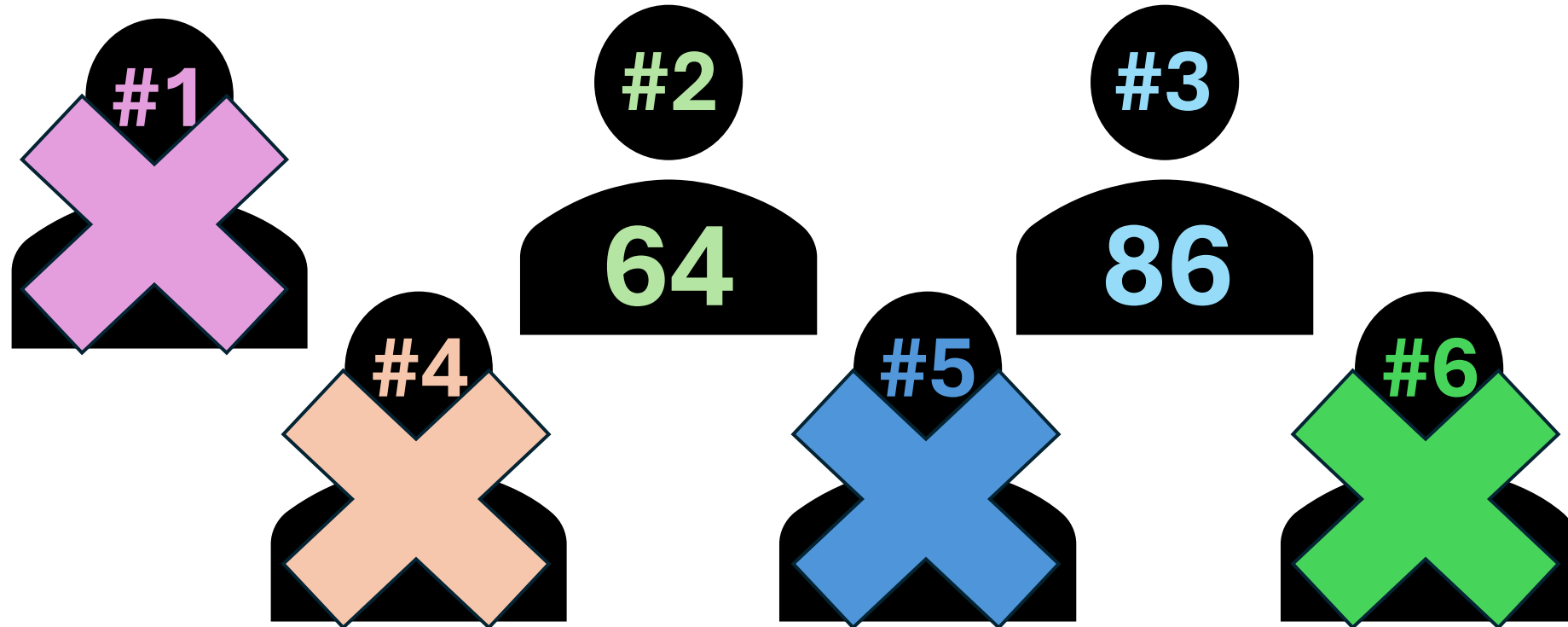
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******Candidates with less than 1/3 of total vote are withdrawn***
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BALLOT 4 RESULTS



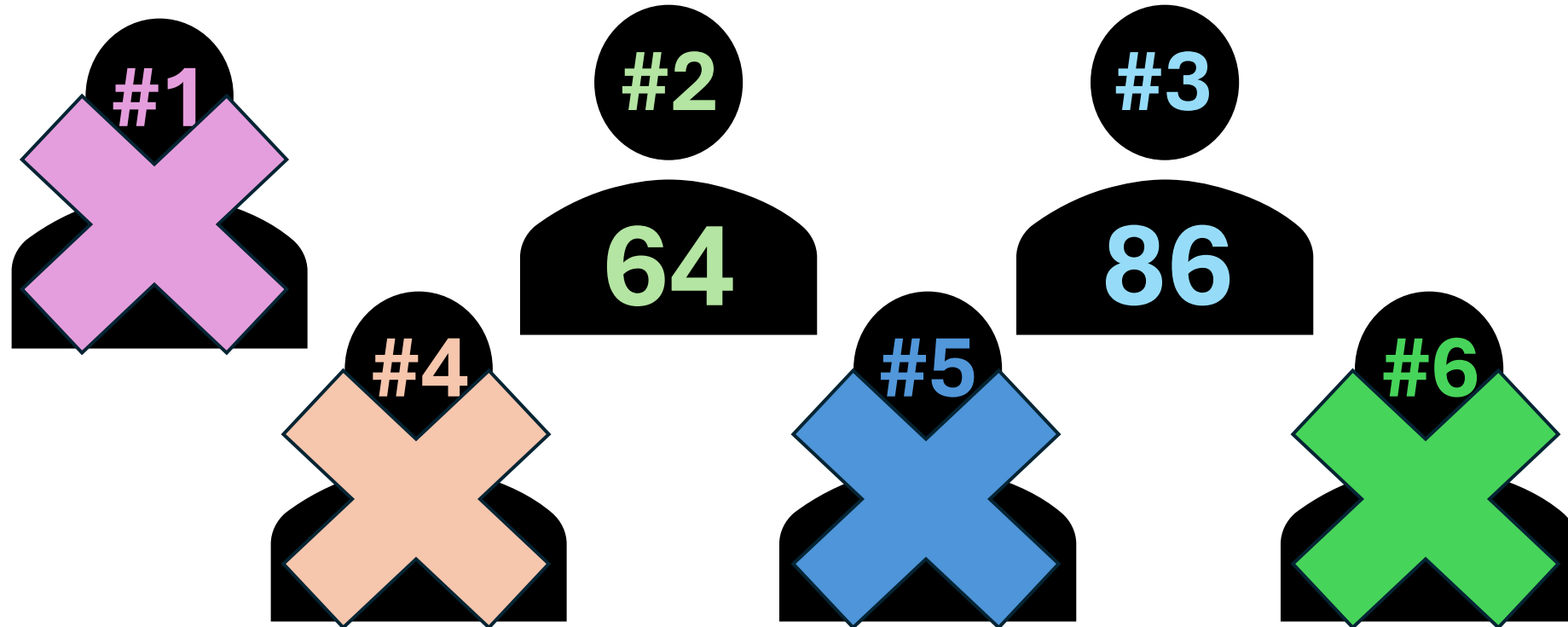
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Does one candidate have
 $2/3$ majority of total vote?

YES → Candidate with $2/3$ majority is elected

NO → Chairperson asks for a motion from the
assembly to conduct a 5th ballot

*Chairperson asks for a motion from the assembly to
conduct a 5th ballot*

Motion is seconded and passed by simple majority?

YES

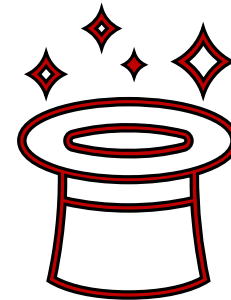


**MOVE TO A
5TH BALLOT**

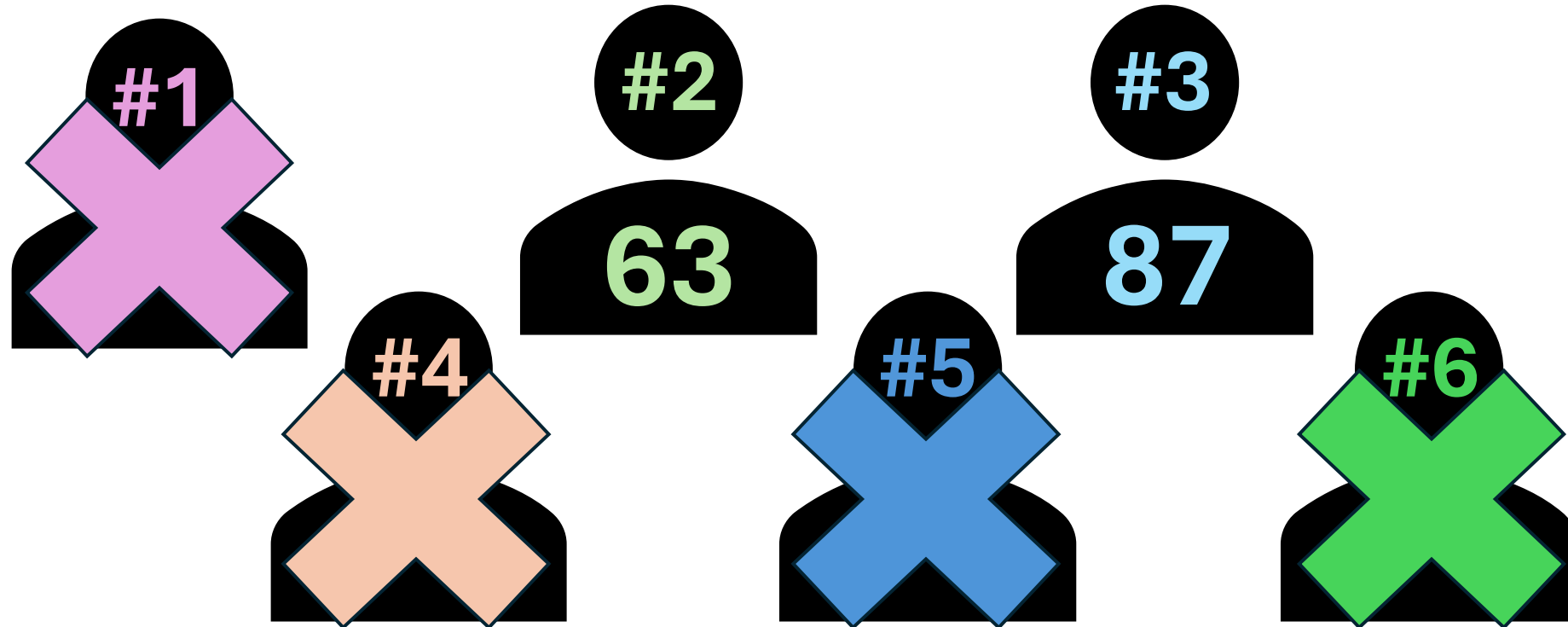
NO



**GO TO THE
HAT**



BALLOT 5 RESULTS



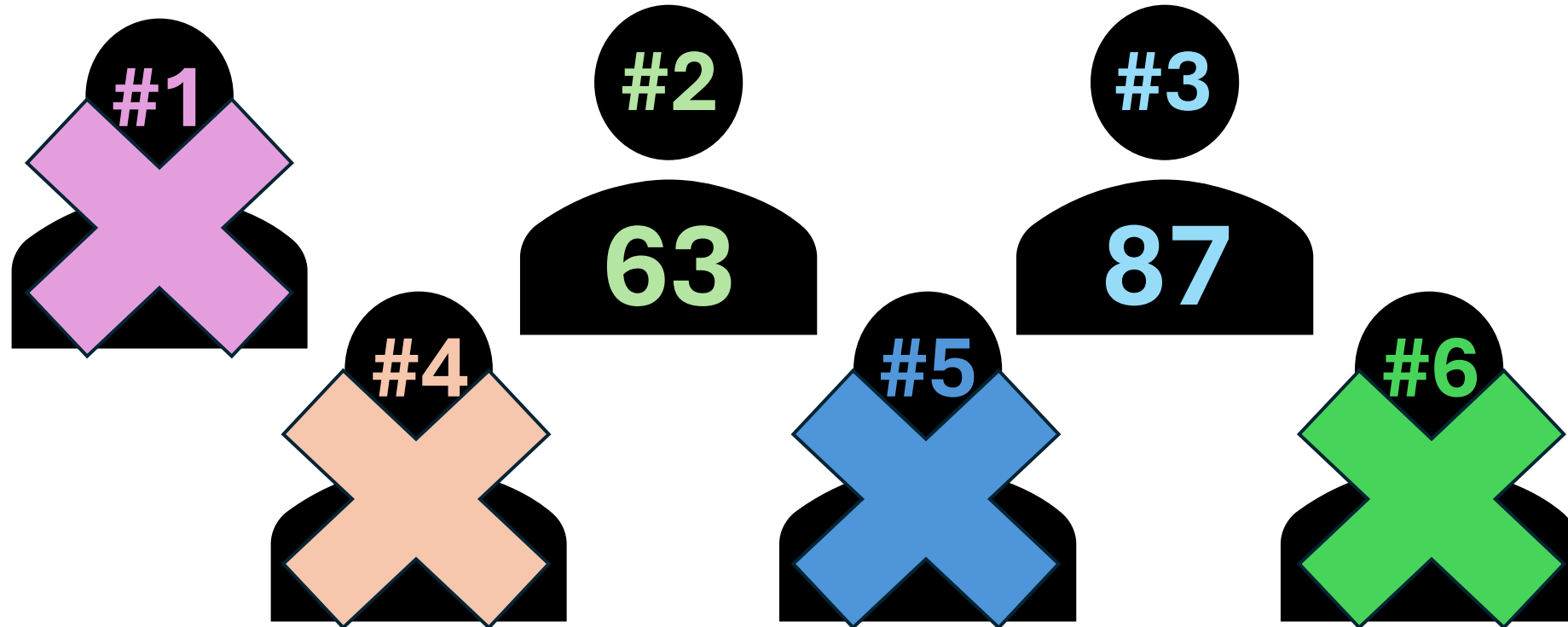
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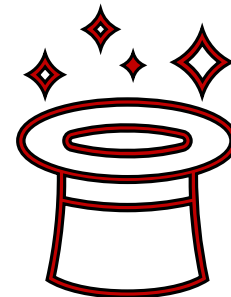


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NO → GO TO THE HAT



And now we have come to THE HAT.

What happens in the hat?

Magical things happen in the hat!!!!

One ballot for each remaining candidate is placed in the hat and the Chair asks a member to draw one ballot.

This is when our Higher Power decides who will be our next Trusted Servant!



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RESOURCES

**A.A. Service Manual combined with Twelve Concepts for World Services
(esp. Concept 9!)**

Area 47 Handbook