Pacifica National Elections Committee Meeting, 8:30 EST, Tuesday, July 5, 2023

MINUTES

<u>Convened</u>: Convened at 8:36 pm, EST by the Committee Chair Akio Tanaka.

Member Attendance: The Secretary called the roll and confirmed quorum.

Present: Teresa Allen, Violetta Diamond, Jack De Palma, Vanessa Dixon Briggs, Eleanor Elizabeth Forman, Eric Jacobson, Evelia Jones, Lily Kimura, Sean Kelly MacPherson. Myla Reson, Shawn Rhodes, Minerva Sanders. Akio Tanaka, Carol Wolfley, Susan Young.

Non-committee Member Attendance:

Directors: Jim Dingeman, Donna Grimes (briefly), James Sagurton and Beth Von Gunten.

Otis Maclay streamed the meeting. Committee Member Myla Reson provided the zoom platform.

<u>Timekeepers</u>: The Chair announced that there would be timekeepers, Carol for individuals and Aki for items.

Agenda: Carol Wolfley moved to adopt the agenda as drafted. No objection.

Minutes of the June 21, 2023 meeting: Carol Wolfley moved, no objection.

Review of Elections Process:

- a. Schedule changes there was discussion confirming that the Record Date (membership deadline) remained June 30; the filing date for candidates and nominators extended to July 6; the deadline for completion of candidate packages is June 8.
- b. Obstacles for candidate sign up discussed.
- c. Obstacles for nominator sign up discussed.
- d. Motion by Carol Wolfley: Motion to have carts on the air asking persons to confirm their email address. No objection. Subsequent mention of need to affirm station capabilities to provide the capability to accommodate the data collection on their websites.
- e. Motion by Carol Wolfley, second Jack De Palma: The Pacifica Elections Committee requests that the PNB and the Executive Director draft an educational a cautionary statement about slander and libel and sends to all Pacifica candidates and Board members. No objection.
- f. Simplified/shortened disclaimer: Susan Young will check with Craig Dunkerly.
- g. Candidates making statements in LSB, PNB and Committee meetings: Susan Young will follow up with the NES.
- h. Motion by Vanessa Dixon Briggs and Myla Reson supporting the intention of the NES to collect and air candidate audio and video files. No objection.
- i. Motion: To request the NES to reconsider the time and schedule of the next Q&A session to not conflict with LSB meetings. No objection.

Motion: There was no objection to a motion made by Carol Wolfley to permit James Sagurton to address the question of whether an iGM is staff or management, and James said an iGM is management. This pertained to the question of whether an iGM can be a nominator. Susan reported that she had heard that NES is advising iGM to nominate all candidates.

Motion by Carol Wolfley for \$5 donation request for paper ballot; motion to amend by Myla Reson, second by Vanessa Dixon Briggs to broaden to more general requests for support; motion to postpone by Carol Wolfley, second by Susan Young, no objection.

Motion by Eleanor Elizabeth Forman: Jack De Palma moved to postpone, seconded by Susan Young, Eleanor objected to postponing as decision needed now. That the NES consider that Spanish-speakers should have access to the same amount of information as English speakers even if it takes more palabras to convey the same information as the English speakers with a 500-word limit. Failed.

Motion to adjourn by Carol Wolfley, seconded by Susan Young, no objection.

Adjourn: 10:39 pm, EST.

Next meeting date: 8:30 pm EST, Wednesday, August 2, 2023