

ELECTION COMMITTEE MINUTES
April 8, 2014
ECIA Conference Room

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kathie Graham at 10:04 am. Present members were: Jean Crawford, Joe Loewy, Elizabeth Ebner, and Mary Cassidy. Also present were Jan Pietrzak, ECIA Board Liaison, and Bill Donohue, ECIA General Manager. Forum Moderator, Debbie Reynolds, President of the League of Women Voters of Santa Fe County, attended a portion of the meeting. Observers Greg Collello and Joe Eigner.

2. Approval of Minutes

Joe Loewy moved for approval of the Minutes from the March 8, 2014 meeting, seconded by Mary Cassidy. Minutes approved 4/0.

3. Approval of Agenda

Mary Cassidy moved to approve Agenda, seconded by Joe Loewy. Agenda approved 4/0.

4. Open Forum

Joe Eigner – nothing

Greg Collello:

A. What happens with extra ballots? Extra ballots... Persons asking for a Ballot are asked to prove identity, are valid members in good Standing and must sign an affidavit. B. Envelopes are transparent. It will be addressed for next election. C. Who counts the ballots when they arrive at the ECIA? The procedure was explained.

5. Moderator for April 16th Forum – Debbie Reynolds

A. Review Format

B. Audio Video

a. Will be allowed as long as the film/tape is submitted in duplicate and in its entirety to the ECIA Gen. Mgr.

b. Pre approval for permission to record is required

c. It will be published on the Website

C. Closing statement was reviewed

D. There will be no cross talk during the debate. Joe Loewy moved, Mary Cassidy seconded, passed 4/0

E. Questions from the floor will be allowed time permitting, which will follow the LWV guidelines.

F. Questions from the floor will be combined together according to topic, made into one question and given to the moderator.

6. Board Liaison, Jan Pietrzak

A. Nominating Petition to address definition of Member in Good Standing. Moved to post election meeting

B. Jean Crawford. Clarify 3 separate dates on the petition;

Signing date

March due date

Date of Record

C. Tie Votes: Policies and Procedures calls for 'Draw Lots'

a. If there is a tie vote there will be a recount immediately on the day of the count

b. If there is a tie vote, the candidates will meet at 10:00 AM the morning of the Annual Meeting in the Community Center Conference Room. The candidates will draw from 9 cards of the same suit, numbered 2 through 10. The cards will be shuffled and the drawing will be in alphabetical order by surname. High card wins. Joe Loewy moved, Jean Crawford seconded, passed 4/0

D. Recount discussion. Candidate can request a recount. Board is at liberty to accept or reject the request. According to existing Policies and Procedures there is not enough time to accommodate such a request.

7. Old Business

A. Jean asked if we will count how many people voted. Yes, as well as how many proxies are received.

B. Committee reviewed the tally procedure

C. Candidates or designated representatives can observe the count. The Election Committee must be made aware of their names the day before. Observers must be quiet. If there is a question it must be addressed to the Board Liaison who then presents it to the Chair.

8. New Business

Next Meeting will be May 13, 2014 to review Election Procedures.

9. Adjournment The motion to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session was made by Joe Loewy, and to exclude the Board Liaison. The motion failed. Joe Loewy moved to adjourn to Executive Session including Board Liaison. Jean Crawford seconded. Motion passes 4/0.

10. Executive Session

A. It was decided that 9pm would be time limit of the Forum

B. Candidates may not be able to address questions that deal with those issues related to current litigation.

C. Meeting adjourned at 1:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Ebner