

Tahoe Donner Association

2023 Board of Directors Election Timeline & Procedures

Recommendation: By motion, approve the 2023 Board of Directors Election Timeline and Procedures as described below.

Friday January 27	The Board is asked to review and possibly approve the 2023 Board of Directors Election Timeline & Procedures and appoint the Inspector of Elections and Accounting Firm charged with tabulation of the election results under the direction of the Inspector of Elections. The Board of Directors establishes May 22, 2023 as the Record Date for the election.
Wednesday February 1	February Tahoe Donner News article is published advising membership of procedure, start date and deadline for submitting a nomination for a Board of Directors position, pursuant to Civil Code section 5115 (a)), which requires such notice at least 30 days before the close of nominations.
Monday March 20	Candidacy applications will be made available electronically at: <u>electionscommittee@tahoedonner.com</u> .
Thursday April 20	Close of Nominations is at 10:00 A.M. on April 20, 2023. Proof of ownership (a copy of recorded deed) and a conflict of interest statement are required with the submittal of candidacy applications. A candidate may not have a criminal conviction that prevents the Association from obtaining a fidelity bond and cannot be delinquent in assessment payments unless the member has either paid under protest, agreed to a payment plan and has been provided an opportunity for internal dispute resolution as per Tahoe Donner Voting Rules.
	Applications must be submitted by this deadline via email in PDF format to the Elections Committee at <u>electionscommittee@tahoedonner.com</u>

The Elections Committee and staff meet to verify the eligibility of those candidates whose applications were received in a timely manner. Candidates

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who are deemed eligible, are advised by the Elections Committee, as to their qualifications to run and are invited to submit a candidate's statement (not to exceed two 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x11 inch pages), which will be mailed, as submitted, to the membership along with the Election Ballot. Candidates' statements should be submitted electronically in PDF format to electionscommittee@tahoedonner.com. They will be reviewed as received for compliance with size limitations – no review of content will be performed, and the Association shall not be liable for content. If any statement received fails to comply with the size limitation, the author will be advised that such statement will not be accepted unless corrected prior to the Friday, April 28 deadline.

Candidates are also invited to participate in a number of Elections Committee sponsored activities described below.

- April 25 Candidate Informational Forum
- May 30 Candidate's Night Forum

The Elections Committee oversees a blind drawing of candidate names by a neutral individual to determine ballot order. Ballot order drawn at this time will determine placement of the Candidate names on the election ballot, candidate statements in the Election Packet, all communications, as well as the order for asking questions at the Informational Forum on April 25, 2023 and Candidate's Night on May 30, 2023.

List of verified candidates, date and time that the ballots will be mailed, mailing address for the ballots to be returned and date of the Annual Meeting (close of election, June 25, 2023) are announced to the membership via e-mail blast, posted on the General Notice bulletin board at The Clubhouse and Association video screens.

Elections Committee Chair notifies the Board of the list of candidates for election and announces the candidate list at the April 28, 2023 Board Meeting.

As provided by Article VII, Section 5(d) of the Amendments to the Restated Bylaws, if one or two, but no more than two, eligible candidate(s) has/have submitted his/her timely application(s) for the two available seats, the Board of Directors will declare that that candidate(s) is(are) elected, and the Director Election is concluded.

Monday April 24 Voter List Verification Completed.

Tuesday April 25

Candidate Informational Forum Tuesday, April 25, 2023 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. via ZOOM or in person at the Mezzanine

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	Tahoe Donner staff, Board members and Committee Chairs are present at this meeting to provide information to the candidates and answer any questions candidates have about serving on the Board, Association governance and management, Committee structure and functions, etc. This informational Forum is overseen by the Inspector of Elections.
	Following this forum, if the candidate(s) needs assistance from staff to answer such questions, the question should be forwarded to the Elections Committee mailbox at <u>electionscommittee@tahoedonner.com</u> . The Elections Committee, in conjunction with Senior Staff will identify the appropriate staff member to answer the question and consult with the candidate(s). Once an answer is received, it will be shared with all candidates. This process will ensure that all questions asked are answered correctly, factually and shared with all the other candidates.
Wednesday April 26	Optional Candidate Amenity Tour, time TBD
Friday April 28	By 4 PM candidates submit electronically either to the Elections Committee at <u>electionscommittee@tahoedonner.com</u> or to a website upload link to be specified by ComDep:
	• A 60 second introductory video and an official candidate photograph which will be posted on the Tahoe Donner website.
	• Final candidate's statement
	If any candidate wishes to remove his/her name from the election ballot, they are asked to notify the Elections Committee by 4 p.m. in order to avoid member confusion during the voting process and to save the Association additional printing expenses.
Tuesday May 2	Candidate web pages live on the TD website.
Monday May 8	Elections Committee verifies accuracy of finalized Election Packet to be sent to the membership. Inspector of Elections reviews and approves the materials.
Friday May 19	4 PM – Deadline for members to submit topics of interest for the Candidate's Night Forum to <u>electionscommittee@tahoedonner.com</u>

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Monday May 22	Voter list is finalized and election materials including Notice of Annual Membership Meeting, the ballot, candidates'statements and instructions for mailing and returning are mailed to all members of record as of the mailing date.
Tuesday May 30	Candidate's Night Tuesday May 30, 2023 6:00 – 9:00 PM via ZOOM
	The Inspector of Election will moderate Candidate's Night. Only candidates who have been formally certified as eligible to run for the Board of Directors election will be permitted to appear on the dais or otherwise act as a candidate at this forum. If a candidate is unable to attend for any reason, he/she will be invited to submit an opening statement that complies with the time limit set by the Moderator. That statement will be read into the record by an Elections Committee member.
	The specific schedule and time frames will be determined and communicated after the number of eligible candidates is determined.
Monday June 12	Targeted email to non-voters. List provided by Accountancy Firm.
Friday June 23	Election Ballot Meeting & Regular Board Meeting Friday, June 23,2023 Northwoods Clubhouse – Meadow Room / Mezzanine Room 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
	The Board of Directors convenes an Open Board Meeting for the Accountancy Firm to commence tabulation of ballots; ballots delivered in person will be accepted and replacement ballots will be available during this meeting until its adjournment at 5:00 p.m. The Inspector of Election will attend this meeting to oversee the ballot counting process. At least one Elections Committee member will be in attendance as well.
	Deadline for receipt of Director Election ballots mailed or personally delivered directly to the Accountancy Firm is 5:00 p.m.



Sunday June 25 Annual Meeting of Members Northwoods Clubhouse Sunday, June 25, 2023 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Voting from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

The Annual Membership meeting will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Personally delivered ballots are accepted at the Annual Membership meeting from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at which time voting in the Director Election will conclude. Replacement ballots will be available until the conclusion of voting. The Inspector of Election will attend to oversee the voting process. At least one member of the Elections Committee will be in attendance as well.

Prior to conclusion of the meeting, if a 25 percent quorum is achieved and the election results are certified by the Inspector of Elections, results (including vote count) are announced at the meeting and communicated to the membership via e-mail blast, Tahoe Donner media boards and Tahoe Donner News.

If less than 25 percent of the voting power of the Association, the quorum requirement, has submitted valid ballots, the failure to achieve a quorum will be announced (but not the vote tally), and the meeting, along with the culmination of the Election, will be adjourned to the following morning.

MondayIf there is a failure to achieve the 25 percent quorum requirement, the AnnualJune 26Membership meeting is reconvened on June 26 at 10:00 a.m. at the Northwoods
Clubhouse for the purpose of concluding the annual Election of Directors in
accordance with a reduced 15 percent quorum requirement.

As soon as the Election results are certified by the Inspector of Election, the results (including vote tally) are announced and posted at the Northwoods Clubhouse, distributed via member email blast and published in the *Tahoe Donner News*.

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