

Tahoe Donner Elections Committee Minutes September 3, 2024

Members Present: Min Yi, Steve Meyers, Bette Rohrback

Staff Present: Patricia West, Annie Rosenfeld (left at 2:54pm), Benjamin Levine

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 PM.

Agenda Items:

Update on electronic voting

- AB 2460 did not pass but AB 2159 is at the governor's desk. He will either sign or veto it by the end of September 2024. For that reason, there is no hard date to submit a feasibility study on electronic voting to the Board. EC will discuss this matter in November.
- No definite cost estimate from a vendor for electronic voting because no vendor has set up its business in CA yet. No data on cost from CAI. One vendor gave an estimate of \$1,250/yr for setting up electronic voting but \$6,000 for sending election related texts to members based on their business in other states that allow electronic voting.

Election Committee Charter update

- EC discussed suggestions made by the Director Benjamin Levine and decided to edit the charter when there was consensus.
- Patty will edit section (H) of the revised charter and submit to EC for input. EC will comply with standard reporting rules but we need to have some Emergency Meeting powers so that we can deal with urgent matters that come up during an election. She will also revise the TD website regarding how to apply to committees. She will consult Deon regarding how to include members with a point of view in the charter.
- It was decided to not include any language in the charter that would cite specific examples of actions that the EC would not take, such as making social media posts and attending campaign events. For further discussion by the EC, we may want to create an annual document for use by the EC that would provide some working guidelines. At a minimum we would all agree that it would be inappropriate to endorse any candidate.

Campaign guideline

- Discussed what is meant by community leaders and agreed it meant committee members and club officers/directors. There are no EC plans at present to change what is in the Campaign Guidelines. However, at Candidate Information Forum, the EC should go over these Guidelines with candidates so that if candidates plan to have campaign website, they can facilitate endorsers putting in a disclaimer that they are not speaking for the committee or club.

Corporate transparency

- This new law requires elected Board directors to complete a legal form to declare no conflict of interest. This will be part of the Candidate Packet so that all the candidates are aware of the new law.

The next EC meeting is Tuesday September 24th 12:30- 2:30 due to EC members' availability in October.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:58 PM.