

PTC Board Meeting 11-29-06

CTO by Ed Hain @ 1:00 p.m.

- I. Election issues (EH)
 - A. Results compiled
 1. Vote count complete
 2. Before the results are announced, we should hear questions & concerns about the voting
 - B. Current voting issues
 1. Instructions resulted in unmarked ballots
 - a. This election: contacted people providing blanks; all were able to vote
 - b. We are now confident in results
 2. Question raised about write-ins, but there weren't any
 3. Problem: procedures written before advent of e-mail
 - a. I am interested (DW)
 - b. I will form committee to study procedures
 4. Problem: some submitted to only one or two of the three vote counters (EH)
 - a. We reconciled counts
 - b. e.g. I (EH) had four that were not sent to Lee, vice versa, etc.
 - C. Future issues
 1. Which ballots counted, etc. has been addressed this time; must have procedures to avoid this confusion in the future (KS)
 2. Procedures are informal, loose, designed to obtain more candidates. We need to come to a consensus about procedures. Next year don't want to worry. (BS)
 3. Outdated, confusing by-laws. OK if we fix them by next election. I have two concerns: (PM)
 - a. There was no attention paid to issues about procedures when brought up earlier
 - b. I believe we should take these results and go forward, but work out the procedures and change by-laws before March elections
 4. I agree, procedures need changing. There should be a set procedure (AF)
 5. There is no consensus as to the size or existence of the problem (DW)
 6. My concerns are: (EH)
 - a. We must establish procedures and follow them as closely as possible.
 - b. E-mail voting is not anonymous, no secret ballot possible.
 - c. The time period is very short between sending out and collecting ballots
 7. Voting method has to be restricted, but still accessible (AF)
 8. It is very hard to police the voting procedures (DW)
 9. We haven't yet found a way to, but we can (BS)

- II. Election Results & New Board of Directors (EH)
 - A. Results
 - 1. There were six candidates for four offices. The four highest vote getters were (highest vote tally to lowest) Dr. Rod Freudenberg, Dave Friedlander, Jose Siu, and William Syhe
 - a. As discussed last time, two directors are supposed to be elected each year
 - b. We can re-establish appropriate turnover by giving the two highest vote getters in this election three year terms, and the next two finishers, two year terms
 - 2. Request Dona McBride to post the results and e-mail them to all members (she agrees)
 - B. New Board of Directors
 - 1. I will schedule a meeting of the new Board for after the first of the year
 - 2. We can combine the Board meeting with the annual changeover meeting (KS)
 - 3. The new board consists of Bridget, Monica and the four newly elected (SH)
 - 4. Ed Hain and myself are leaving this year; we were on the same ballot (KS)
- III. Election Procedures
 - A. Formation of Committee (EH)
 - 1. Who can serve on a committee to revise election procedures?
 - 2. Volunteers: Pat Maher, Sam Humes, Dave Whitney, Bridget Steyrs
 - B. Agenda
 - 1. It is a short deadline, rules must be defined, distributed, approved (PM)
 - 2. Make a schedule for us to work with (EH)
 - 3. Can Sam Humes be the chair of the committee? (She agrees)
- IV. Replacement of President-elect (EH)
 - A. Alyssa Piffero is resigning from PTC, what do the by-laws say about replacing her?
 - B. No provision to replace until the next regular election (KS)
 - 1. By-laws apply to sitting P-E, if leaving during term of office
 - 2. This is pre-term, there is a fillable vacancy.
 - C. Vacancy should be filled (EH)
 - 1. Someone needed, it is hard for the President if the office is vacant
 - 2. Will Anna Forsberg take on the task of obtaining a new slate for President-Elect?
 - D. Agrees (AF) I will—same procedure? (all concur verbally)
 - E. We can set up a secure site to count votes, then grant multiple access for confirming results (MB)

Lee Freutel: move to adjourn; Ed Hain: second the motion; (All concur verbally)
Adjourned 2:00 p.m.