



Winnetka Caucus Council Executive Committee

Minutes

Meeting Date and Time: 2024-09-05 from 7-8pm CDT

Meeting Location: Google Meet (ping us for the link Hello@WinnetkaCaucus.org)

Meeting Title: Executive Committing Planning and Coordination Meeting

Attendees (6/10= Quorum):

1. Peter Eck
2. Stanton Anderson
3. Kathy Hamburger
4. [Laura Freechack](#)
5. Ian Larkin
6. [Betsy Owens](#)
7. Doug Sutton

Chair Eck opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

The EC discussed the Slating process, including a review of the Master Candidate Tracker, Slating guidelines, how to handle post-interview discussions prior to voting, and finalizing the 2024 Candidate scoring process.

They then discussed interview questions and decided on a 45-minute limit that would include core questions and committee-specific questions. Concerns about the ability to cover the number of questions in 45 minutes were addressed with a recommendation that clock management was critical to a fair and consistent process. The Candidate scoring template was finalized.

The EC agreed that it would be important to set expectations at the beginning of each interview, and remind candidates they will be recorded, and because of the tight time limit, to be brief but comprehensive.

Survey social messaging was then discussed. Peter Eck agreed to handle this with Matt Bogusz, and asked if two of our three Instagram accounts could be taken down. Additional messaging includes a mention in Go Green Winnetka, and possibly in the Schools and Library newsletters and websites.

Chair Eck asked for other suggestions.

The EC discussed the Fall Town Hall, its general policies and pointers, the cost to print and mail announcement postcards, and whether the Caucus Council could fund it with a call for donations.

Logistics for the Fall Town Hall were discussed. Regarding registration and voter validation, it was suggested that in order to vote, in-person attendees bring a drivers license or utility bill as proof of residency. A discussion ensued regarding whether to ask digital attendees to upload a picture of a license or bill.

The Council addressed the need to find a hybrid voting solution that allows for Instant Runoff Voting (Rule 111-c) and can combine digital votes with physical ones.

The Council discussed the need to develop a back-up plan for getting the signatures necessary for filing with the Elections Board, should there not be enough at the in-person Town Hall.

The proposed Candidates Nights were discussed with the decision to drop to three evenings and possibly combine Schools and Library meetings. Timing was agreed to be from 6:30-9:00 PM.

Chair Eck called the meeting to a close at 8:00 PM.

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