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MEETING MINUTES -SPECIAL ELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2024
12:30-1:00 PM, F104A

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I. PRELIMINARY:

A. Call to Order & Roll Call – D Pickard called the meeting to order at 12:43 pm

In attendance: S Margiotta, S Klima, S Berukhim, R King and D. Pickard.

B. Public Comments – K Ellis voiced concern that someone who applied for the BOT was deemed ineligible and expressed her concern about the application being submitted in the given timeline. She is concerned that the applicant printed something that outlined timing and suggested that there was election tampering.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A. S Berukhim made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from 3/13/24. R King seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

IV. NEW BUSINESS (DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS):

A. D Pickard verified that the Community Seat Election application deadline was Wed. March 13, 2024 @ 3 pm. At that time there were no community seat applications nor applications for the 2 teacher BOT seats. Therefore, the application deadline for all available BOT seats was extended to Friday March 15, 2024 @ 3 pm. D Pickard noted that once applications were received, due diligence was completed and the Finance Department provided evidence of a check which was issued to an applicant for the Community Seat within the past 12 months. Therefore, this applicant was deemed ineligible and ballots went out without this applicant being included. However, this issue was brought to the attention of Election Committee officers after the ballots were released and after further investigation it was concluded that the current check was a reissued check for work that the candidate had completed outside of the “prior 12 month” timeline. This issue was discussed with PCHS legal counsel and confirmed that although based on the information we had as of Friday, the applicant was ineligible, with updated information the applicant does in fact meet the criteria for a non-interested party. Therefore, it was suggested that after the regular election for the Community BOT seat, the election for this seat should be considered invalid and that a Special Election be held to include the 2 applicants for the Community Seat.

R King made a motion to hold a Special Election after Spring Break which will include the 2 eligible applicants to fill the Community BOT seat. S Margiotta seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.



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Committee then discussed updating the certification results. It was agreed that we would like to certify all elected candidates at the same time. Therefore, the new certification date is suggested to be April 5, 2024.

R King made a motion that the Election Committee certify all election results Friday, April 5, 2024 @ 3 pm in F106. S Berukhim seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

S Berukhim will help communicate Special Election to students. R King moved that the Special Election should open on April 1, 2024 @ 12 am and will close on April 5, 2024 @ 12 pm to facilitate certification results on April 5, 2024 @ 3 pm. S Margiotta seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

Next Election Committee meeting is scheduled for April 5, 2024 @ 3pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:02 pm with unanimous approval.