

Election Procedures Task Force Summary June 20, 2016

Charge-: The charge of this Task Force is to update and, if necessary, revise the Election Procedures of Area 9 prior to the Election Assembly in October 2017. The Task Force may like to canvas the membership with a survey or questionnaire if there are changes that seem reasonable or pertinent.

Background/Historical Info: Each Panel must go over the Election procedures to update and clarify before proceeding with elections.

The task force has reviewed the current election procedures and is recommending changes based on member feedback. The biggest changes recommended are below;

1. Using a Trusted Servant Profile- Many Area's use a profile during elections to give the Group Representatives a broader view of whom they are electing or choose to elect, thereby helping them to make a more informed decision. The profile presented at May 2016 Assembly is a computation of many of the "profiles" we received from other Areas. The GR consensus at Assembly was they would like to use the profile going forward.
2. Election of Coordinators by vote v pulling out of a bag- I have had many a AWSC member ask why we don't vote in the Coordinators. After some historical research it was deemed that the time it would take to do a paper vote was the reason for the "pull the name out of a bag".

Because we are able to structure our Election Assembly's and keep the agenda focused on elections the committee felt after much discussion that electing by vote would afford the members more choice in the selection of Coordinators.

As election procedures are updated and looked at for clarity and functionality each panel if a change is not working it can always be re-visited.

With Gratitude,

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