



To: SSSP Board of Directors and Executive Officer
From: David G. Embrick, Chair, 2018-2019 Elections Committee
Re: 2019 Elections Committee Report
Date: July 30, 2019

1. 2018-19 Elections Committee: David G. Embrick (Chair), Augustine J. Kposowa (member), Jessica S. Welburn (member), and Kristin Wilson (member).

2. The 2019 approved nominations list was as follows: President-Elect (one position), Vice-President Elect (one position), Board of Directors (3 positions), Board of Directors – Student Representative (1 position), Budget, Finance, & Audit Committee (1 position), Committee on Committees (2 positions), Editorial & Publications Committee (2 positions), Membership & Outreach Committee (2 positions), and Membership & Outreach Committee – Student Representative (1 position). The list of nominations was ranked upon receipt.

3. The Process: Administrative Officer & Meeting Manager, Michele Koontz identified nominees who were listed for more than one position and sent those names along with the full list and description of the election committee process to me. All nominees were initially contacted with some version of the following email on September 10, 2018 (subject line “Time Sensitive – SSSP Nomination”):

Dear _____,

It is my pleasure as Chair of the SSSP Elections Committee to write to inform you that you have been nominated to run for the office of _____. You may wish to consult the SSSP By-Laws and Operations Manual to review the duties of this position:

<https://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/29/locationSectionId/0/By-Laws>

https://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/30/Operations_Manual/

The Elections Committee must fill the election slate by mid-October. Accordingly, I ask that you respond to this email by September 25, 2017, indicating your willingness to stand for election to this office.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Congratulations on your nomination! I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best wishes,

David

If a reply wasn't received by September 18, I followed up with an email and/or phone call. With two exceptions, all nominees accepted their nominations. One member declined to run on the slate for the Editorial and Publications Committee. An email was sent out to Tracy Dietz who agreed to be put on the slate for that Committee. Additionally, one person declined to run for Membership Committee. Stephani Williams was asked to run and agreed. When they replied, I

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asked about their willingness to serve as Chair when applicable. The 2019 Candidates List (indicating willingness to serve as chair) was sent to Michele Koontz on September 27.

4. On January 17, 2019, we were informed by a candidate that they were no longer able to run on the slate for the position of Board of Directors, Student Member. Several nominees were contacted and a candidate agreed to run on January 29.

5. Participation in the Election Process: The total members as of 3/15/19 was 1,977. The total number of members eligible to vote electronically was 1,845 with 132 members who requested not to vote. The total number of voters this year was 395, with a participation rate of 20%. This represents a 3% increase from 2018. Four vote reminders from the SSSP administrative staff were sent on February 25, March 7, March 14, and March 15, 2019.

There was a tie for the Committee on Committees position. David L. Brunsma and Anthony A. Peguero received the same number of votes-167. According to the by-laws, "In case of ties, the Board of Directors shall be requested to cast the deciding votes." A memo was drafted and sent to Brunsma and Peguero informing them of the tie. Another memo was sent to the Board for their vote; Peguero was selected for the position.

6. Election Results: The results of the 2019 election were as follows:

President-Elect (2019-2020); President (2020-2021) Corey Dolgon

Vice-President-Elect (2019-2020); Vice-President (2020-2021) Pamela Anne Quiroz

Secretary (2019-2020) Glenn W. Muschert

Treasurer (2019-2020) Susan M. Carlson

Board of Directors (2019-2022) Giovanna Follo and Bhoomi K. Thakore

Board of Directors: Student Representative (2019-2021) Melissa R. Maxey

Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee (2019-2022) David J. Luke

Committee on Committees (2019-2022)

*David L. Brunsma or Anthony A. Peguero (tie-Board will decide) and Alex Trillo

Editorial and Publications Committee (2019-2022) David G. Embrick and Shirley A. Jackson

Membership and Outreach Committee (2019-2022) Janelle M. Pham and Stephani Williams

Membership and Outreach Committee: Student Representative (2019-2022) Carley Geiss

By-Laws Amendment: Article VI, Section 27: Committee on Social Action Approved

By-Laws Amendment: Article VI, Section 30: Anti-Harassment Committee Approved

*In the tie for Committee on Committees, the Board selected Anthony Peguero for the position.

7. Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer & Meeting Manager, sent personalized notification letters to all candidates on March 18, 2019. The results were posted on the SSSP website on March 29, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Embrick', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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Chair, 2018-2019 Elections Committee