

Elections Committee Report

June 2019

I started the current term as Chair of the Elections Committee. At the April, 2019 Board meeting, I stepped down as the Chair and Nancy Montgomery was appointed the new Chair. I have turned over all Candidate and Delegate forms to her. In addition, I have sent her all of the spreadsheets, forms, ballots, and other information needed to the upcoming elections to her.

Under my position as Chair, the Elections committee had accomplished another major tasks/goal. Section 5 of the Policy & Procedure (P & P) manual underwent a major review of the Elections policies. Additional information was added to make the policy easier to understand. The committee helped immensely with their input and knowledge of election procedures. I made many phone calls to committee members for their help and ideas. The State At-Large portion of Section 5 underwent a major overhaul. When I did training with the regional directors, we discovered a lot of items which were sadly lacking.

For the upcoming elections this year, Nancy will spear head the committee and get us through the election process. She will be providing the registration data to the group handling the registration in Spokane

The election data base is maintained by Suzie Meeks and she records the election results for all of AVVA - by chapter and state within each of the 9 regions. This is maintained strictly by AVVA without any help from VVA.

As time is growing closer to our National Elections in July, we will have successfully registered our delegates to the AVVA National Convention. Thanks to help from the AVVA Membership Chair, Cecilia Essenmacher, delegates have been verified and will be able to vote at the convention. Nina Schlofell verifies that delegates do not have outstanding disciplinary actions against them.

Another project that the Elections Committee is still working on is the creation of a tri-fold either as a handout or to be posted on the website. Also, the Committee needs to review the election power points and manuals already posted on the website. In addition, the election forms need to be reviewed and possibly revised and/or clarified.

The current Elections committee consists of Nancy Montgomery (Chair), Ann Rice, Suzie Meeks, Kathy Andreas and me.

Respectfully submitted,
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