

Elections Committee Report for meeting 12.5.18

Last meeting

No formal meeting was held. Throughout the month of November and December multiple correspondence took place to implement the Faculty Senate Elections process and address any concerns.

FS Elections

Update to timeline:

1. The notice to solicit candidates went out on Friday, October 19 with a deadline of Friday, October 26.
2. HR provided a list of eligible voters based on the FS charter and bylaws.
3. The LeewardCC Webmaster agreed to help facilitate the voting process.
4. A total of 19 candidates were on the ballot. <https://www2.leeward.hawaii.edu/fs-candidates/>
5. Voting began on Tuesday, November 13 at 9:45. There was a delay due to unforeseen issues.
6. Voting ended on Tuesday, November 20 at 4:00pm.
7. The following candidates were elected:
 - a. Petersen Gross
 - b. Kelsie Aguilera
 - c. Michael Onishi
 - d. Gholam Khaleghi
 - e. John Signor
 - f. Weirong Cai
 - g. Betty Ickes
 - h. Kale`a Silva
 - i. Genai Keli`ikuli
 - j. Erica Molyneux
 - k. James West

Issues with the voting process

1. Several eligible voters from the Arts and Humanities division reached out directly to William Castillo saying they never received a ballot. 4 issues were resolved by either assisting the individual search for the email or re-sending via a reminder. The other

issue was from an ineligible voter. All issues were considered resolved well before the voting deadline.

2. Another issue was brought up regarding the eligibility of Leeward CC and the language in the charter and bylaws from a current senator and lecturer representative. Upon further discussion and in the spirit of increasing inclusiveness in the governance process, the Elections Committee is in full support of updating the charter and bylaws to reflect eligibility based on teaching equivalencies and not credits.