

Elections Committee @ Thu Aug 28, 2014 9am - 10am

Invited:

Richard Machida - organizer

Nate Bauer

Lawrence Murakami

Jeannette Altman

Christian Beks - optional

Faye Gallant - optional

Nicole Dufour - optional

Attended via conference call: Nicole Dufour

Attended in Butrovich 106a Conf Rm: Richard Machida, Jeannette Altman, Nate Bauer, Lawrence Murakami

- Richard provided a hand-out with 4 pages: ldapsearch, current nomination login pages (2 sided)
- Discussed VM for Staff Council
 - Richard reported that the system is mostly ready for the process
 - Jeannette reported that she had applied 700 RH updates to the system to get it up to date
- Richard reported that he had been brainstorming with Walker on some changes to the system
 - An edir service account for the election system was requested and approved so the UA ID and other information not available to a regular user can be queried / returned
 - Richard reported that Shibolet SP is working on the Staff Council VM (originally installed by Walker Wheeler)
 - Richard discussed daily update to local database allowing JavaScript auto-complete for name of person to be nominated.
 - Alternative was to perform real-time validation at the time of nomination
 - Local database and JavaScript option would also allow name of person to be nominated to be selected from a list.
 - It was agreed that a local database updated daily would be a good approach.
- Some discussion on the accuracy of the edir information
 - It is believed that basic information is pretty good but there was questions on whether TKL, supervisor and some other related information is up to date or even exists
 - Nicole stated she sees chronic problems with edir listserver email lists for Staff Council
- The data used in prior elections was based on data as of spring HR freeze provided by Ian Olsen from PAIR
 - This is used to count # of people / unit to determine # of representatives / unit
- *** Must go through Statewide VPN to access the Staff Council server via

- ssh
 - Discussion on problems with VPN access - breaks ability to access local LAN, mounts etc
 - VPN is problematic and not well supported on Linux machines
 - Richard reported that only the IPv4 address space gets affected and IPv6 access may still work
- We might have to change the bi-laws to elect 5 At-Large representatives this year.
 - It was agreed that filling At-Large positions 1,3,5 this year (odd) would be filled during this election without a change to the bylaws.
 - With the process in place we can do 2,4 next year and be ready for future elections.
 - According to the bylaws, At-Large representatives must be elected and can't be appointed when unfilled like Unit representatives.
- We set the following dates:
 - Monday October 6, 2014 - Nominations open for Odd Units and Odd At-Large seats
 - Friday October 24, 2014 - Nominations close
 - Monday November 3, 2014 - Elections Open
 - Tuesday December 2, 2014 - Elections Close
 - This allows a week between Nominations closing and Elections opening to confirm all have accepted and have supervisor approval.
- A single Docusign form could be used for supervisor approval of Unit and At-Large