

Committee on Nominations and Elections
Oral Council Report
New Orleans National Meeting, March 21, 2018

Mr. President, Members of Council:

I have the results of this morning's selection of candidates for President-Elect, 2019.

The two candidates selected are Luis A. Echegoyen and Thomas R. Gilbert. Congratulations to the two candidates and thank you to all four nominees for your willingness to serve the Society.

This morning's election was conducted according to specific procedures approved by Council for preferential balloting. The numerical results will be placed in the "Councilor Talking Points" that will be distributed on Thursday, March 22, with a detailed explanation. All candidates, including the two elected by Council today and any other petition candidates certified by the July 15 deadline, will be placed on the ballot this fall.

The Town Hall Meeting held on Sunday, March 18 was very successful, with excellent feedback from the N&E nominees for President-Elect. All appropriate questions that were submitted at the Town Hall Meeting by the audience will be provided to the nominees.

N&E is responsible for reviewing annually the distribution of member population within the six electoral districts to assure that the districts have equitable representation. According to ACS Bylaws, the year-end member population of each electoral district must be within ten percent of the average number of members residing in each district. The December 31, 2017 year-end report was in compliance.

N&E continues to remind all Divisions and Local Sections that their elections must be conducted in compliance with their bylaws and with ACS Bylaws. ACS Bylaws state that "The Secretary of each Local Section or Division shall certify to the Executive Director of the Society not later than December 1 of each year, much earlier if possible, the names, addresses, and terms of the elected Councilors."

The Committee developed slates of potential candidates for the Council Policy Committee and the Committee on Committees for 2019-2021 terms. The names of the candidates will appear in the Fall Boston Council agenda.

N&E solicits Councilors' input of qualified individuals for President-Elect and/or Directors for future consideration. Please submit your suggested names on the form located on page 37 of your Council agenda to any N&E member. These forms are also available at the N&E tables as you exit this Council meeting.

You may also send your suggestions by email to the committee at nomelect@acs.org. This email address may also be used to submit questions in advance for any Town Hall Meeting.

Mr. President this concludes my report.