

Committee on Nominations and Elections
Oral Report to Council
Orlando, Florida, April 3, 2019

Madam President, Members of Council:

I have the results of this morning's selection of candidates for President-Elect, 2020.

The two candidates selected are H. N. Cheng and Carol A. Duane. 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 procedures approved by Council for preferential balloting. The numerical results will be reported in the "Councilor Talking Points" that will be distributed on Thursday, April 4, 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 31 was very successful, with excellent feedback from the N&E nominees for President-Elect. All appropriate questions that were submitted by the audience during the Town Hall Meeting will be provided to the nominees.

N&E, through its various subcommittees, has begun to consider a new focus and strategy around the identification of candidates for ACS national offices, the challenge of cultivating a more diverse leadership pipeline that befits inclusive governance, and ultimately, the screening process for candidates. We also need to examine more thoroughly why some members identified as qualified nominees for elected offices decline the nominations to serve. This will help N&E to develop value propositions and craft comprehensive communication pieces around the scope and expectations for these offices and various campaign requirements.

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 to elect district directors. 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, 2018 year-end report was not in compliance, and N&E will recommend to Council in August redefined District boundaries as are necessary to satisfy the provisions of the Bylaws.

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 2020-2022 terms. The names of the candidates will appear in the Fall San Diego Council agenda.

N&E solicits Councilors' input of qualified individuals for President-Elect and/or Directors for future consideration. You are invited to submit your suggested names and the reasons for your

recommendations on the form located on page 41 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.

Finally, the committee voted to endorse the Petition to Streamline the ACS Governing Documents.

Madam President, this concludes my report.

Amber S. Hinkle
Chair