



Winnetka Caucus Council Executive Committee Meeting

Meeting Agenda/Minutes

Date: 8-19-2025

Time: 8-9 pm

Location - Zoom

Attendees:

1. Ian Larkin
2. Kathy Hamburger
3. Stephen Dewart
4. Matt Bogusz
5. PK Wilson
6. Rory Hackbarth
7. Ted Wynechenko
8. Nat Roberts
9. Stanton Anderson (joined at 8:30 pm)

Village Slating and Master Calendar

- Nat walked through the candidate slating timing
 - He is hoping to confirm Oct 27-Nov. 3 with the Cook County Election Board this week and will follow up with EC.
 - Ted said he talked to someone and encouraged Nat to confirm dates via phone.
 - If dates are different, EC will convene to discuss an alternate plan/timeline
- Nat said the candidate interviews will be conducted via Zoom and will be recorded
- Rule 81 was discussed - group agreed that anyone interested in applying needs to let the WCC know by Aug. 23 and be interviewed by Sept. 6 (submission are due 5 days prior to candidate interviews)
- September 8 was confirmed as the Town Hall notification date - Rory will send that in an email.
- September 17 was confirmed as the Full Caucus Council Meeting - Ian will communicate that to the Council and it will be via Zoom
- Group agreed that the Get to Know the Candidates Night would be Sept. 24 via Zoom, led by Ian and Nat
- All dates will be confirmed by Rules committee chair
- Rory will update website with current dates and information

Survey

- Rory gave a topline review of the Survey results

- Low response rate was discussed and explanations considered included lack of "hot button" issues in the Village, no USPS mailing and earlier summer timing
- Nat observed that many of the Village topics had responses that were nearly even, unlike Parks, Schools and Library topics
- Group discussed chairpersons getting their committees together next week to review and analyze results and prepare platforms
- September 3 was discussed as date to have EC-approved platforms posted to website
 - Ian will lead getting EC approval
- It was noted to confirm that any raw data shared does not include respondents emails - Stephen and Rory will manage
- Group discussed having someone run results through an AI application, Stephen agreed to look into this
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Rules

- Stanton is targeting Sept 5 for rules changes, knowing that September 12 is the date to publish by-law changes

Fundraising

- Ted reported that approximately \$2k in new donations have come in since the last EC meeting

Farmer's Market

- Kathy shared overview of the July/Aug WCC booth activity
- Kathy asked for volunteers for Sept and group agreed that if she doesn't get enough volunteers she will cancel

Administrative

- Group discussed importance of every EC member checking WCC email for communications relevant to their committee work