Elections Committee

Meeting Minutes – August 20, 2026

Zoom

Present
Board: Jon Haumeder (EC Chair), Layla Richardson (EC Member), Lizzy Gahm (EC Member)
Staff: Emily Walter, Alex Villagrana
Owners:

1. **Welcome and Review** - The meeting commenced at 6:20pm by Jon.

2. **Approve July Minutes**
   Approved by consensus.

3. **Election Timeline**
   The committee reviewed the 2026 election timeline.

4. **General Applications**
   Applicants: Karen Zimbelman, Richard Livingston, Marty Sanchez, Regina Espinosa, James Koch, Katherine Almy, Jasmine Sarp

   The committee interviewed and checked references for five of the seven original applicants. Marty Sanchez withdrew their application, and James was not able to participate in the interview process. Based on the information they gathered from applications and the interview process they created a slate of candidates.

   Motion: Approve Karen Zimbelman, Katherine Almy, Jasmine Sarp and Richard Livingston as the slate of candidates.

   Approved by consensus.

5. **Next Agenda Items**
   Next meeting Thursday, Oct. 22, 2026, 5pm at the Arcata Community Center
   - Count Ballots

Meeting adjourned at 6:52pm
Minutes by Emily Walter