

Election Committee Update

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Committee: Peter John Arrington (Chair), HC, Domenico Elia, Or Hen
In close communication with Vicki Greene

Election details

- Voting is for the Spokesperson, Chair and Vice-Chair of the Collaboration Council
- Voting opened **January 30th**
- Voting closes **February 13th, 11:45 pm ET**
- **As of 8:00 ET 114 votes out of 172** have been submitted
- Using ranked choice voting as per ePIC charter rules
- Individual voting links sent to each member of the CC
 - Some members not on initial CC email list. They were sent individual voting links after confirming that their email was indeed missing from the CC list
 - Ballot generated such that the voter has to move something on each ballot to reduce bias of votes just submitting vote as presented.
 - Couldn't randomize ballot listing
 - EC tested ballots before sending out

Two apologies

- First to Zhenyu for the miscommunication about him deciding not to run
 - Since ranked selection is in place, the EC can fix this error during vote counting

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- Second for the miscommunication on who should update/post their candidate statements on Indico
 - As a result some candidates did not have their final statements posted until after the election had started
 - All statements are now available - <https://indico.bnl.gov/event/17621/>
- Very unfortunate need to decide as a collaboration how to proceed
 - For now we propose to keep the voting going so people can give us input today and over the weekend
 - Do we count the votes on Tues and announce Spokesperson, Chair and Vice-Chair from this election?
 - Do we count the votes on Tues for the Spokesperson, re-do the election for the CC and VCC leaving ballot open for 1 or 2 week?
 - Do we re-do the whole election leaving ballot open for 1 or 2 weeks?
 - Does the CC need to vote on how to proceed?
 - Decision will be made and announced on Monday BEFORE the EC look at any votes

Counting and Announcing the Results

- The EC will do the vote counting - multiple EC members will count independently to verify results
- Two members stood for both Chair and Vice-Chair
 - Have agreed if either wins both they will be contacted and decide which position they want to take within 24 hours
- The elected people will be announced to both CC and Collaboration as soon as possible

Post election questions

- Not up to the EC to decide but questions that have arisen during our discussions and we think merit further discussion/clarification before results announced
- How and when will the hand-over be handled?
 - We understand that Franck and Vicki agree to chair CC until elected Chair and Cice-Chair ready to take over
 - Charter states Spokespeople must present and have endorsed their management plan to CC.
 - Leave to elected Spokes and CC Chair to decided when and how this will be done ?
 - Some ambiguities exist in how Spokesperson and CC will operate before the plan is accepted.