

DATE: August 13, 2008
TO: All Federation Members
FROM: Federation Elections Committee
SUBJECT: 2008 Federation Interim Election of Treasurer

Stephen Jones, Federation Treasurer, has announced his resignation as Treasurer effective with the election of a new Treasurer during the Fall 2008 semester. In accordance with the Federation's Constitution, an election for Treasurer must be held.

Officer to Be Elected

The officer to be elected in September 2008 is:

One Federation Treasurer

Voting Eligibility

All dues-paying Federation members are eligible to vote for Treasurer, to run for this office, to nominate Federation members to it, and to sign nomination forms for it.

Nomination Procedures

Nomination forms are enclosed; they can be used to make a nomination for Treasurer. Please make additional copies if you wish to make more than one nomination. Nomination forms will also be available on or about Wednesday, August 13, 2008, in the Federation Office, BR-63, and online at our website: aft2026.org. The deadline for nominations is Wednesday, September 3, 2008, at 5:00 P.M. **All nominations must be submitted to the Federation Office, BR-63.**

A list of nominations received as of Wednesday, August 27, 2008, will be publicized on Thursday, August 28, 2008. The final list of nominations will be publicized on September 5, 2008.

Election Newsletter

As in the past, the Federation will publish a special election issue of the *Newsletter*, in which candidates may include their statements. The special edition of the *Newsletter* will be published during the week of September 15, 2008. **Candidates' statements must be no longer than 250 words, and should be submitted to the Federation Office in electronic format ONLY, either by email attachment or Word format on disk; HARD COPY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. E-mails may be sent to the Newsletter editor directly, at dmedio@juno.com or danno1263@aol.com. Disks may be brought to the Federation office, BR-63. The deadline for submission of candidate statements is Wednesday, September 10, 2008, at 5:00 P.M.**

The following Bylaw, adopted by the Representative Council on Sept. 19, 1989, remains in force:

The Federation Newsletter shall provide a forum for candidates for office to make statements. All candidates for the same office shall be given the same opportunity, space and issue of the publication to present his/her position. No further Federation funds may be used to promote the candidacy of any individual.

Election Procedures

The election will be conducted by the Faculty Federation Elections Committee. The Elections Committee will mail ballots during the week of September 15, 2008 to the homes of members. The Federation will use members' addresses on file; **please give the Federation Office your current address if it does not already have it.** A sample ballot will be posted in the Federation Office and published in the election *Newsletter*.

If you lose or do not receive a ballot, call the Federation Office and ask Bob Bucher or Alice Yarborough to leave a message in the Elections Committee Mailbox. Included with each ballot will be a postage-paid return envelope for mailing the ballot back to the Elections Committee.

Ballots must be returned, BY US MAIL, to the post office box listed on the return envelope. Ballots brought to the Federation Office are not eligible for inclusion in the election. Members will need to be certain to mail ballots in time for them to be received on or before Monday, September 29, 2008 .

In case of question, the Elections Committee will decide whether a ballot is valid. **It is therefore essential to follow all instructions sent with the ballot.** The Elections Committee will prepare an Elections Report, in time for review at the Representative Council meeting on Tuesday, October 7, 2008.

Summary of Dates

DATE	EVENT
08/13/08	Nomination forms are made available.
08/28/08	Publication of nominations received to date.
09/03/08	Deadline for bargaining unit members to join the Federation in order to vote in Federation election.
09/03/08	Close of nominations.
09/05/08	Publication of final list of nominations.
Week of 09/08/08	Composition of Elections Departments and voting lists provided to Elections Committee.
09/10/08	Copy due for Election Newsletter.
Week of 09/15/08	Election Newsletter published.
Week of 09/15/08	Ballots sent to homes by U.S. Mail.
10/01/08	Ballots due to Elections Committee by mail to Post Office.
10/01/08 - 10/02/08	Ballots counted by Elections Committee.
10/07/08	Representative Council reviews/accepts Election Results at second Representative Council meeting of semester.

In Unity,

Faculty and Staff Federation Elections Committee:

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 Julie Gurner
 Mark Piazza
 James Russock

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