

## **NPC Phone Meeting June 6, 2018**

Chair: Chris Riddiough

Notes: Natalie

Attendees: Ajmal, Catherine, Chris R., Christian, Ella, Maria, Natalie, Ravi, Zac

### 1. Current Vacancies

Danny Fetonte resigned in the fall and his resignation was accepted.

Leslie Driskill put forward a resignation in January; this was not accepted by the NPC.

After some discussion of the reasons cited in Leslie's resignation letter, the NPC agreed to contact her again to find out if new policies around NPC member expenses during meetings would change her decision before voting on the resignation.

### 2. Constitutional Requirements for Vacancies

After some discussion, the NPC identified 3 different paths forward that received support from the group, including:

- Not filling the vacancies
- Soliciting nominations and then voting on them as an NPC
- Soliciting nominations and then open the voting to chapters

Natalie moved to put the 3 options to a vote of the full NPC via Loomio within the week. The motion seconded by Ella passed.

### 3. Nominations Process

The NPC agreed to revisit the nominations form used for the August 2017 Convention as a starting point for revisions, including questions around job history that may be relevant, and if they would step down from any current local offices held in DSA.

Several members wished to flesh out a process in more detail and will submit proposals to the next SC meeting or for votes on Loomio.

## Addendum to the Minutes

As noted above, the NPC voted to consider three proposals for addressing the vacancies on the NPC. The three options put forward after discussion at the meeting are:

- To not fill the vacancies
- To organize a nominations process that would allow members to suggest themselves or others to be members of the NPC. After the nominating period had closed, the NPC would vote to select a nominee.
- To organize a nominations process as above, but to provide for chapters to vote rather than the NPC.

Depending on the option selected, the NPC would take necessary steps to move the process forward. This vote used the rank choice method.. Members could rank the three options in the order of preference (with 1 being the top choice.)

The table below provides the final vote count. This includes a vote from Jeremy Gong who was unable to use Loomio and it takes into account the YDS vote which is divided between Ajmal Alami and Michelle Fisher (thus the half votes in the table below.) The option highlighted in red (To organize a nominations process after which the NPC would vote to select a nominee) gained the most votes and will be the process used.

The steering committee will determine the details of the process at the next meeting.

Options	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
<i>To organize a nominations process after which the NPC would vote to select a nominee.</i>	5.5	7.5	1	32.5
<i>To not fill vacancies.</i>	5.5	2.5	6	27.5
<i>To organize a nominations process after which the chapters would vote.</i>	3	4	7	24