

SPFT Officer, Executive Board, and SPTL Election Procedures

Candidates will be allowed to inspect the voting roster prior to the election. Copies will not be allowed.

Write ins will only be allowed and counted in places where we have vacancies and no one is running or not enough people are running (for example: there are 12 open seats, but only 9 people are running.)

Vote Counting

Materials needed: Letter openers, pens, blank tally grids, recycle bin, large envelopes to archive ballots, calculators.

Candidates will be allowed to have an SPFT member inspect/monitor the counting of ballots.

Ineligible Ballots:

- Ballots received late (after 5:00 p.m. of election date)
- Ballots that are not returned in their individual, official sealed envelope
- Any xerox or copied ballots

All ineligible ballots will be saved and archived with remainder of ballots

Groups of ballots are counted by an election committee member, then passed to a second member to double check. If the two members have different counts, it goes to a third member.

Questionable ballots are stacked separately and the committee votes by majority at the end.

A meal is provided for the committee members while counting.

If a committee member is on the ballot, they shall not be allowed to count. Another officer will stand in as chair when the secretary is on the ballot.

The chair will contact the winners and non-winners.

The committee members sign off on the final results. The committee chair puts these results into a report that is presented to the Executive Board for approval.

Election Committee members will not discuss counting or election results with other SPFT members. An written document stating this will be signed by all members counting.

Ballots will be archived for one year, then destroyed.

St. Paul Trades and Labor

When there are more write ins for RLF than spots, write ins will be emailed to see if they are actually interested in the position. The 11 interested members with the most votes will be selected.

Letter to send out when there are too many write ins for RLF:

"You have been written in as a candidate for one of the 11 positions SPFT holds on the St. Paul Regional Labor Federation. Please let me know by Friday if you would like to accept this nomination. The election committee will then take all of those interested and assign positions to the 11 people with the most votes.

If I do not hear from you by Friday, I will assume you are not interested in running and would like to withdraw your name.

Thank you,

*Nick Faber
SPFT Secretary and Election Committee Chair"*

Election Challenge Procedures

Any member qualified to vote may challenge the election procedure employed by the Elections Committee.

All challenges must be filed in writing with the Elections Committee within 10 days after the certification of the the results by the Executive Board.

The written challenge must identify the specific election procedures, rule or rules violated. No other basis for challenge shall be recognized as a valid challenge with the the purview of these rules.

Every challenge shall clearly and concisely state the remedy to correct the alleged irregularity.

The Executive Board will then determine the course of action, if needed.

Tally Sheet
50 Ballots

President

Denise Rodriguez

Secretary

Kimberly Colbert

Executive Board

Joan Duncanson

Cedric Stripling

Shannon Jax

Hannah Ryan

Rebecca Wade

Caitlin Reid

St. Paul RLF

Sue Snyder

Cedric Stripling

Denise Rodriguez

Chong Thao

Roy Magnuson

Jeff Caulum

Pete Grebner

John Robinson

David Stahlman
