

Special Membership Meeting 19 June 2021

Riviera Community Club, 11016 Country Club Dr. Anderson Island, WA 98303
Special Membership meeting called for the removal of all or some of the Board of Trustees and
if necessary, move into a Special Election

10:42am---- Ed West opens meeting as temp chair and puts meeting into recess to continue registration.

David Wolf- "We don't know if we have a quorum, so you may not leave.
Do you object to this procedure?"

Objection by Nicola McDonald -Cannot verify who voted.

Objection by Nicola McDonald - Objects to the ballots that are made by the recall committee.

David Wolf- "The polls are now considered open. It is not proper to expect people to stay. If people wish to go home, they can because that is how it has been historically done."

Crowd- "This is the membership's meeting."

David Wolf- If you want to place your ballot in the box and go, you can. The ballots will not count until quorum is met.

1050----Jim Cook- "I have been appointed by Chair Ed West, to be chair for voter registration."

Jim Cook- "The board presented a ballot, understand, that special elections are controlled by membership. Board of Trustees up for recall cannot endorse or enforce any ballot or anything that has to do with the meeting/ election. As David Wolf said, once the quorum is reached, the ballots placed in box prior to quorum will be counted only then."

Jim Cook- "How was I appointed the committee chair for voter registration? Ed West was recognized as chair and appointed me. Additionally, a Board of Trustee member has asked me to be chair."

Jim Cook turns meeting back over to Ed West.

Joyce McDonald objects to Jim speaking and Ed speaking.

10:55 ---- Ed West places meeting in Recess.

David Wolf makes the following announcement- "I am chair of the Election committee, asked by Board of Trustees and Friends of Riviera."

David Wolf announces Jim Cook is appointed on election committee.

1134---- David Wolf- "There is confusion about the proxy the Riviera sent out. In the past, you got a ballot proxy. It was then sent to you w/ 2 envelopes. An outer envelope with name to validate good standing and an inside envelope that did not show your name; this gave secrecy. What was sent out this time is a proxy that looks like a ballot. Some people are confused and think that it is ballot. Those proxies need to be turned in now. To determine if the person who signed is in good standing, they will be gone through with the master list. The election committee will determine how many proxies there are to one proxy holder. Additionally, the number of the votes will be annotated.

If you are holding a proxy that you haven't turned in, now is the time to turn it in. We will hand you your ballot before the polls closed. If you are a proxy holder, you must stay here to vote."

Kara Murphy Richards- We were told by people that we could turn in proxies and leave.

Member from crowd- The person appointed by the proxy must stay here to vote. The proxy holder must be here to vote.

On the ballot, if you checked the box "member in good standing may vote for me", any member in good standing may cast that proxy.

11:52----- Announcement- David Wolf

"I was asked to set a time for proxy holders to come back. I do not know when we will close the polls, but we will not close the polls before 3. We will not close the polls before 3pm.

As the chair of the election committee, I will not close the polls before 3 pm.

Crowd- What are we waiting for now?

David Wolf- We have not met quorum. The meeting will start for debates once the quorum is met. The polls are open now to receive a ballot.

Crowd- We are waiting for enough votes or people to open the meeting. When does that happen?

David- We have to go and validate the proxies.

Crowd- Will we miss anything if we leave?

David- I cannot say because I do not know what is going to happen. In terms of voting, polling will not close before 3.

Crowd: Can I turn in my ballot now?

David Wolf: Yes, any time before the polls close and the polls will not be closed prior to 3pm

12:53pm---Announcement is made by Ed West to start meeting because Quorum is met
Jerry Hines calls from floor to appoint Ed West to chair.

2nd by Chris Frye

Any Objections?

Objection- by Gary Smith

Point of order by Paul McClintock -Any other nominations?

Kara M. Richards nominates Gary Smith

Laulie Keele 2nd motion

Ed West - Any further nominations to chair the special membership meeting? Crowd silent.

Vote by hand of members present for Meeting Chair:

24 hands raised for Ed West

7 hands raised for Gary Smith

Ed West- Members in person voted only. Proxy votes were not considered.

Point of order Paul McClintock- proxy holders should be allowed to vote.

As temp special meeting chair, Ed states he is not counting proxies.

1:00pm---- Ed West states he was elected.

Paul McClintock appealed. Noted

--Paul announces he speaks as a proxy holder.

Ed West announces:

Jerry Hines – Parliamentarian

Paul McClintock also appointed/ hired parliamentarian by Association

Secretary – Erin Cooper

Time-keeper - Colleen Hines

David Wolf and Jim Cook dual election chairs

Jim Cook greets members and turns over meeting to David Wolf.

David Wolf appoints election committee

Jim Cook

Lara Benhart

Susan Smith

Amy Reagan

Susan Hatch

David Wolf announces he will prepare a list for anyone who is a proxy holder.

Kara M. Richards- "Can we use zoom for proxy voters to cast their ballots for proxy holders that have left because someone told them they could?"

Tom McCarthy announces that he is filming at a public event.

David Wolf explains the different proxies:

Rivera proxy: there are 2 ways to give your proxy:

1) Write in someone's name to be your proxy.

2) Check box "Good Standing". This proxy person does not have to be present, as a member in good standing can cast the directed proxy.

The other proxy sent by Friends of Riviera, is given to a specific person and should be here.

Paul McClintock- Point of order- The "member in good standing on proxy" should be the neutral member in good standing, elected by the floor.

David Wolf – "For a discretionary proxy?"

Tom McCarthy interjects "Friends of Riviera sent a letter to the board asking them to select a nominee for the neutral member by 17 June, which stated "If we do not get a neutral member by June 17, we will select a neutral member".

Paul McClintock announces he speaks as a proxy holder-

Tom McCarthy- "Are you being paid for this meeting?"

Paul McClintock- "Yes. The association has employed me for my parliamentary opinion."

Paul McClintock to Chair Ed West- "Am I a co-parliamentarian?"

Ed West- "You are a co-parliamentarian."

Paul McClintock- "I decline that role. Ok, I will speak as proxy holder- I challenge the point that that the committee has the authority to appoint a neutral proxy."

Chair Ed West rules that Paul does not have the say and Ed will continue as chair.

Paul appeals the decision of the chair to not allow membership to vote on "neutral membership in good standing".

Ed States we are going to go ahead with the meeting and declares the following:

Purpose of this meeting is to recall all or some of the board of trustees per bylaws. And if necessary, move into special meeting if less than 3 Board of Trustees remain.
Opens the floor for current Board of Trustees to address the meeting.

Janice Nelson states she is the only Board of Trustee here, asks Tom McCarthy to turn off his camera. Ed West directed Tom to turn off camera.

Janice begins her speech, stating she has been supportive of the community and has put in her time working on Riviera business. Armchair Quarterbacks are complaining. "I believe in Riviera, and it will go on past today. There are good people here, but there are some people with an agenda. I own 1 house/ 1 lot. I became involved as weekender. People are saying things without knowing me. I want to get to know you. I am Jan Nelson".

Chair Ed West asks if there are any other Board of Trustees members.

Crowd is silent. Chair Ed West states he is turning the meeting over to Jim Cook.

1:22pm--- Jim Cook explains how the polls and votes will work.
Thank you for being here; there is also a memorial service going on.
There will be 2 tally people when the ballots are pulled out. Every 25 tallies of votes will be compared between the 2 people to ensure votes are matched. There will be a reconciliation ever so often to make sure votes are in alignment. I will give the results to the chair.
Understand we have up to 5 different votes, and we will be posting counts on the white board for transparency. Good, bad, indifferent, there are issues. But one of the things we can do is be transparent. We taped boxes and have a security person to ensure ballots go into the box.

Question from Chris Frye- "Is this the same process we have used over a decade?"

David Wolf- "Yes, But with 2 differences. The proxies are really proxies, and not a 2 envelope system. Also, Jim just announced we would post transparent updates on the board. We've never done that before."

Jim Cook: There are a lot of people out here that are curious and for transparency, we are using the white board for good faith.

David Wolf- Explains how the tallies are counted. With tick marks according to the ballots. There will be rechecks every 10 votes or so. That sheet of paper will be stapled together for an audit later. The tally sheets are the road map to show how the ballots were tabulated. "If anyone wants an audit, we will make it easy."

Chair Ed West- We are to a process now where they will just be counting votes. Meeting is recessed until 3pm.

4:15pm-----Ed West makes the following announcement: "If you are a Proxy holder, you may come back at 5:30 and the polls will still be open."

4:16pm---Tom McCarthy makes the following announcement: They are still processing the proxies. Polls will not be closed before 5:30 for proxy holders. If you want to come back at 5:30, the polls will still be open. David Wolf stated he will not close the polls before 6:00pm.

5:03pm--- Registration has ended. Called by David Wolf.

5:32pm--- David Wolf announces how the Proxy voting will proceed.

10:01pm--- Ed West calls meeting back into order for recall election results.

David Wolf Announces the following:

689 people registered in present /proxy. A quorum was established.

667 people actually voted and ballots cast.

13 Represented by proxy for people that did not show up to cast the vote.

345 Votes required to remove a chair.

Jan Nelson received 324 for removal

Gretchen Sziebert received 329 for removal

Pat Landye 282 for removal

George Stewart 182 for removal

Greg Kepner 135 for removal

311 voted to keep all members on the Board.

Shawn Davis – How many votes were counted at each of the openings?

David Wolf has discussion about voting process.

Shawn Davis- Motion on the floor to adjourn the Membership meeting.

Tom McCarthy 2nd Motion

Secretary Erin Cooper objects due to needing to approve committee for minute approval.

Discussion over minutes is had.

Tom McCarthy: Motion to appoint a committee of 3 to approve minutes of 19 June 2021
Special membership minutes- Susan Smith, Nancy Riggs, and Erin Cooper
2nd by Colleen Hines

Opposed- Nicola McDonald

Discussion: none

Nicola McDonald- Stated she just wanted to oppose.

Chair Ed West rules the minutes committee is approved.

Chair Ed West adjourns the meeting.

Minutes approved by:

Erin Cooper  30 Jun 21

Susan Smith Susan Smith 6/30/21

NANCY RIGGS Nancy Riggs 7/1/21