

April 2008 Assembly -
given to take to groups

Proposal to change the appointment of Standing Committee,

Current Method:

Area Chair is responsible for appointing the ~~Steering~~ ^{Standing} Committee Chair

Proposed Change:

Have all area officers jointly appoint ~~Steering~~ ^{standing} Committee Chairs.

Proposed mechanism of selection:

Each officer can submit candidates to be considered for respective chair position. If more than one person is submitted for a specific committee, area officers will review all candidates and attempt to reach a consensus on candidate to be selected as chair. If unable to reach a consensus, area officers will then utilize the third legacy voting procedure to offer chair position.

Changes to Structure and Guidelines:

- Remove "appointment of standing committee chairs" from area chair job description.
- Add "In conjunction with other area officers, appoint standing committee chairs"

Background:

Area officers have been discussing ways to better support the standing committees. I took the concern about better ways to support standing committees and what is area chair oversight responsibilities to this year's PRAASA. I learned that many areas in pacific region appoint there standing committee chairs via group decision of either a steering committee or panel of officers. It was suggested that this provided for better support for standing committee chairs and provided a better means for addressing any concerns that might arise with standing committees within a panel. I discussed some of the specifics of this selection model with various pacific region area chairs and thought this selection method had merit and deserved dialogue from our area assembly.

Mahalo for everyone's service to our area and for your attention to this matter,

Nick H.
Area 17 Chair