

On Wednesday October 5th at noon there will be a Special RECOA Board Meeting to review the proposed election guidelines for this year's Board election. This meeting will be conducted over Zoom and a link to join the meeting will be provided on the RECOA website.

A copy of the proposed guidelines was provided to our management company on Friday September 30th but difficulties appear to have prevented it being posted to the usual Dropbox and making it available for RECOA Board members for review.

To ensure that Directors and all homeowners see the proposed guidelines before the Special Board Meeting this extraordinary eBlast is being sent out.

Some Simple Guidelines for Running a RECOA Board Campaign

The intention of these guidelines is to encourage an open and equitable election process for all RECOA homeowners. The Board wants to encourage the participation of all interested homeowners in RECOA governance regardless of their circumstance.

1. Fill out the RECOA Board Candidate Application (found on the RECOA website Home Page) and submit it no later than 4:00 pm, Monday, October 10, 2022:
 - Via email to Liz Lopez, ECM Manager, ownerservices@eagle-crest.com.
 - Or drop applications off at the ECM office during open lobby hours Tuesday and Friday, 8am to noon.
 - Or the Candidate Application form can be placed in the outside drop box with "ATTN – Liz Lopez" added to the form or on the outside of an envelope.
 - Homeowners who are without electronic capability, should work with the ECM Manager to receive a paper copy of the Candidate Application form.
2. Meet the campaign deadlines posted on RECOA's website. A new webpage will be created to provide those deadlines and other pertinent information.
3. Candidates can run for only one position in their Voting Group. If more than one position is open in their Voting Group, a candidate must indicate which term they are running for by filling in the correct candidate application form. The application form will clearly indicate the term-length.
4. Candidates who are unopposed will be listed on the ballot as unopposed. Regardless of vote count, they will be considered the elected candidate.
5. For an open position with no candidate participation, the newly elected Board may by appoint by majority vote, a homeowner from that Voting Group to serve for a 1-year term, to be appointed between the election date and the end of the first regular BOD Meeting in January 2023.
6. Candidates should not accept campaign contributions (including in-kind contributions) from KDG, owners of the Ridge at Eagle Crest Resort. Candidates may not accept campaign contributions (including in-kind) from ECAG employees, companies, and affiliates. Candidates may not accept campaign contributions (including in-kind) from Aimbridge Hospitality employees, companies, and affiliates. Candidates should avoid

behaviors that suggest or could involve conflicts of interest with our vendor, Eagle Crest Management LLC.

Candidate Campaign Activities:

- Campaign signs are not permitted within RECOA (this means no signs in yards or windows, on porches or decks, or in any common RECOA area).
- Campaign flyers or platform statements can be printed at the candidate's expense.
- Subject to additional regulations regarding flyer distribution (days of the week, times of the day, common areas that can be used), flyers and platform statements can be handed directly to owners in the candidate's Voting Group but cannot be left on a doorstep, under a doormat, or in a door frame. Owners can decline to accept offered campaign information.
- Flyers or statements cannot be posted or fastened to any RECOA common area such as mailbox kiosks, bulletin boards, structures, posts or poles, or landscape features.
- Candidates or their representatives should not 'cold call' on RECOA homeowners in their homes to distribute flyers or platform statements or to canvass in person.
- "Meet & greet" gatherings can be organized by a candidate or by owners within the candidate's Voting Group.
- Existing RECOA Directors or Officers are not permitted to endorse or campaign for any candidate while engaged in Board Meetings, committee meetings, or while representing themselves as a RECOA Board member or Officer.
- All candidates will be provided with the following RECOA-sponsored communications:
 1. Posting of a 2-page campaign flyer or 2-page platform statement on the RECOA Election Webpage (to be created by the start of the election cycle), which will stay posted during the campaign window.
 2. One "snail mail" mailing to homeowners who have indicated they have no electronic access to the RECOA webpages. The mailing will be limited to a one US Letter page, 2-sided flyer, or platform statement per candidate. RECOA will select the date of mailing, use an ECM-approved mailing list, and pay for the single mailing.
 3. RECOA will pay for a video-taped interview or campaign speech of no more than 4 minutes, to be produced by a RECOA selected videographer on the same day, in the same location chosen by RECOA. If a candidate's video exceeds 4 minutes in length the videographer will edit it to fit within the 4-minute allowed time.
 4. Participation in a Town Hall forum or candidate debate if one is scheduled. RECOA to fund expenses.