

Election Committee Report, 2003

The call for nominations for the two vacating BSA offices, President-Elect and Secretary, went out with the Fall Mailing, and several e-mail reminders were also sent. The deadline for nominations from the membership was 31 January 2003. Twenty-nine nominations were made by the membership, with some individuals nominated more than once or for more than one office.

The Election Committee discussed by e-mail all nominees, and included for further consideration only those individuals who were current paid BSA members. An additional consideration was the ability of potential officers to commit to three years of attendance at annual meetings in their entirety and spring Executive Committee meetings.

The candidates for President-Elect were Darleen DeMason and Allison Snow, and for Secretary, Cynthia Jones and David Spooner. Ballots were counted on 1 July 2003, and candidates were notified of the results immediately thereafter. Allison Snow and David Spooner were elected. The Committee thanks all candidates for their willingness to appear on the ballot and for their commitment to the Society.

Slow receipt of mail ballots by the membership continues to be a problem and this probably accounts for the relatively modest voter turn-out. Exec. Dir. Bill Dahl and the Executive Committee are considering whether some means of electronic voting is feasible while still maintaining one member-one vote and a secret ballot.

Respectfully submitted,

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