

Notes from Wednesday's Zoom call (with thanks to Ojoku Anoiyusogwu!):

TOPIC - Governance Committee's report on upcoming board member elections, terms, bylaws and tentative election nominations.

UPCOMING ELECTIONS

As it currently stands, the current 4 board members will serve a 1 year transitional term starting in February 2020 for the newly formed RD board of directors.

8 seats have been created to make a total of a 12 member board of directors, and 8 will be newly elected to serve in February 2020.

Because we are starting a new board totally 12 members and as the 4 current members who will serve 1 year for transition the 8 newly elected members will be serving staggered terms.

4 newly elected board members will serve a 2 year term, and 4 will serve a 3 year term. This is done intentionally so that as each term ends 4 seats will be up for election offering all members to have a chance to vote and nominate new members to our board.

NOMINATIONS

please note the dates listed are tentative and subject to change

RD will hold a fully democratic election and open nominations.

Nominations to the RD Board of Directors

are open to any self identified member of Recovery Dharma.

Nominations will open on or about Oct 18th and will run for 40-45 days to give time for nominations to be received. Time will then be allotted for the current board of directors to then contact and vet those who have been nominated.

[PLEASE NOTE]

Vetting by the board is not a means to question any nominee's membership in RD or put their recovery under scrutiny.

The purpose is to ensure that there is no conflict of interest in legal or financial situations and for opportunities in which disclosure is needed.

OPEN VOTING AND CONTROL MEASURES

A voting platform is still being decided on.

It has been noted that not all members who are eligible to vote have access to technology or platforms by which voter will be cast.

At the moment it should be noted that for our control measure will do ask all voting members have an email address that will be used to help them register to vote.

Local Sanghas are encouraged to begin promoting members to go to the website and submit their email address. As new information comes forward and dates are set it will keep as many as possible up to date.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Local Sanghas who's meeting lists or emails that are still attached either in name, form or posted on Refuge Recovery sites.

We will need the new emails to be updated ASAP.

Campaign guidelines have yet to be set, the governance committee will give and update soon.