## ROTONDA WEST ASSOCIATION, INC. Election Committee Minutes

MEETING on November 21,2019

The meeting was called to order at 12:30pm

PRESENT: Peter Traverso (Chair), Dick Duggan, Linda Bondeson, Susan Superak & Geoff Lorah

ABSENT: None

OTHER MEMBERS Bob Bondeson, Barb Peszko, Steve Superak, Karen Coffee, Barbara Knieff, Diane & Dave McGrath, Donna Stogsdill, Corliss Arent, Gail Coombs, Doc Coombs, Cathy Potts, Patti Cowin, Emilie Thomas, Patrick Malone, Grace Malone, Gwen Grace, Charlotte Plitza, Nick Gizzi, Wanda Pulaski, Ginni Mahon, Joan Duggan, Bob Mazzola, Dolores Mazzola, Art Richards, Karen Harvey

MANAGEMENT: None

Linda read the names of the volunteers for the vote count and all were present except 2, Maureen McDonell and Ellan Lang (both have counted in past years)

Minutes were approved as read

Peter Traverso explained to all how this was a dress rehearsal for the volunteers and again thanked all who have volunteered to help.

He also explained that this was a 2-stage affair. The stage was the meeting which began at 1:00pm, when meeting ends, the chair postpones the meeting until 7:00 pm that night for the annual meeting. At 1:30 anyone who has not voted by mail can vote in person. The counting of the votes begins between 1:45 and 2:00 pm

All vote counters should be at the Community Centre by 1:45

Geoff gave the recap of the voting process. The outer envelope must be signed, and the blue secret ballot envelope is sealed on the inside. Geoff stated that in 2017 we had 2031 votes, 2018 1876 votes and so far, this year we have 1900 ballots.

Geoff explained the voting process. It is a two-count system. Volunteer #1 opens the envelope and reads the results to their partner. Partner checks the boxes and initials the tally sheet. Next Volunteer #2 takes the ballots and reads the results to volunteer #1 who checks the boxes and initials the tally sheet. When both have finished, they tally up the hash marks on both tally

sheets and they must match. If not, they redo. After 3 attempts, if the totals do not march, they ask an assistant for help.

The ballots will be in groups of 25, any notes of any kind on the ballot, it is disqualified. We will count the votes for Mr. Reed

Two questions from the audience

#1 Why can't we try to call the resident if they forgot to sign the outer envelope

#2 Who has the key to the box in the office??

Peter Traverso told the group that he wrote down both questions and they will be addressed when the Election Committee meets in January to begin to rewrite the procedures.

The group was told that they need to keep the results secret until the 7:00 pm meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:12pm

Next meeting, December 5, 2019 1:00pm

Respectively submitted,

Linda Bondeson, Secretary