

Sindhuli Society of America Election Committee Notice 2024

The Sindhuli Society of America will commence its general election process on September 4, 2024, to elect officers for the Executive Committee and members for the Board of Directors for the term 2024-2025. This notice is intended to ensure that the election is conducted fairly and professionally. All members, executives, and directors are requested to adhere to the guidelines outlined in this document.

Election Committee

The Executive Committee has appointed a three-member Election Committee (EC):

- Bimal Poudel (Coordinator)
- Sanjok Acharya
- Bhusan Shrestha

The Election Committee is responsible for drafting and implementing the election policies and procedures, as detailed in this notice, and for overseeing a free and fair election for the eleven-member Board of Directors.

Positions for Election

Executive Positions:

- President: 1
- Vice-President: 4
- General Secretary: 1
- Secretary: 2
- Treasurer: 1
- Joint Treasurer: 1
- Media Coordinator: 1

Board Member Positions:

- Board Members: 6

Method, Date, and Location of Voting

Voting will be conducted via an Electronic Ballot accessible through the registered email addresses of eligible members.

Voter Eligibility

- Members listed on the SSA website are eligible to vote and stand for election.
- The list of eligible members is available on the Sindhuli Society of America website.

- **Members should verify their membership status from this list to ensure they are eligible.**

Candidate Eligibility

- **Candidates for executive positions must hold active membership.**
- **Candidates for Board of Directors (BOD) positions must be eligible voters as specified above.**

Nomination Process

- **Board Members cannot hold the same position for more than two consecutive terms.**
- **Candidates must self-nominate; nominations by others are not accepted. A person may not nominate themselves for more than one position.**
- **Nominations should be submitted via email to the Election Commissioner at: electionssa1@gmail.com**
- **Nominations must be filed by the deadline specified in the election schedule.**
- **A nomination fee must be deposited into the Sindhuli Society of America bank account (Zelle to: sindhulisamajusa.info@gmail.com). The nomination fees are as follows:**
 - **President: \$50**
 - **Vice-President: \$40**
 - **General Secretary: \$30**
 - **Other Officer Positions: \$25**
 - **Board Members: \$20**
- **Nominations are valid only if they meet the eligibility criteria and comply with all specified conditions.**

Election Schedule

- **9/4/24: Publish Election Notification**
- **9/5/24: Publish Voter List Provided by SSA Board**
- **9/6/24: Open for complaints regarding Members' validity**
- **9/7/24: Publish Final List of Eligible Members**
- **9/7/24 - 9/12/24: Open for Candidate Nominations (EC will provide the nomination form)**
- **9/13/24: Publish List of Candidates**
- **9/13/24 - 9/14/2024: Call for complaints regarding candidates**
- **9/15/24: Option to withdraw from candidacy**
- **9/16/24: Publish Final List of Candidates**
- **9/20/24: Election Day (Only if there are more than two candidates per position)**
- **9/21/24: Announce Election Results**

Complaints Resolution

- Any eligible voter may file complaints related to candidacy, voter eligibility, name and address corrections, or other election-related issues within 24 hours of the relevant information and/or list being posted.
- Complaints must be written and include the complainant's identification.
- The Election Committee will review and resolve complaints within 24 hours of receipt. The Committee's decision is final.

Election Committee Contact Information

- Email: electionssa1@gmail.com
- For more details, visit the Sindhuli Society of America website:
<https://www.sindhulisamajusa.org/>