



Village Independent Democrats
26 Perry Street
New York, New York 10014

Rules For VID Elections

Eligibility to vote and/or be a candidate:

a- Must be a VID member for 90 days

b- Dues must be up to date

c- If your dues have expired you can pay back dues in order to vote. However, per VID constitution, you can only pay back dues for one year and one month. Therefore, anybody whose dues expired before December 15, 2014 is not eligible to vote.

Nominations are made from the floor.

Speaking Rules for Office of Treasurer

I - Each nominee may speak for up to 2 minutes

II- Each nominee has 2 minutes for speakers from audience.

III- There will be 5 minutes for questions from the audience for the group of nominees.

Questions must alternate between nominees unless there are no more questions for any of the next nominees.

Please keep questions and answers concise and on topic.

Speaking Rules For Office of Recording Secretary

I- Each nominee may speak for up to 2 minutes

II- Each nominee has 2 minutes for speakers from the audience.

III- Questions will be handled as set forth above for Treasurer

Speaking Rules For Office of Corresponding Secretaries (two)

I- Each nominee may speak for up to 2 minutes

II- Each nominee has 2 minutes for speakers from the audience.

III- Questions will be handled as set forth above for Treasurer



Voting

There will be three vote counters, appointed by the President in consultation with the membership. Voting is by secret ballot. Qualified members must be present to vote. A majority of votes casted are required to be elected.

2nd Ballots

For Treasurer and Recording Secretary: If no candidate receives a majority of ballots cast on the initial vote then there will be a second vote and the second ballot will contain the names of the two candidates with the highest number of votes.

For Two Corresponding Secretaries: For the initial vote, any nominee(s) who receives a majority of votes cast will be deemed elected. If there are not two nominees who receive a majority of ballots cast on the initial vote there will be a second vote among no more than twice the number of nominees as there are remaining offices to be filled. If subsequent ballots are needed the person with the lowest number of votes is dropped from the ballot.

Rules for Election of VID Executive Committee Members

- a- Each candidate can speak for up to 1 minute
- b- There will be up to ten minutes for VID members to speak on behalf of candidate/s. Each speaker will be limited to one minute unless there are no other speakers.
- c- The fifteen candidates with the most votes are the winners. As per the VID constitution majority vote not needed