Caucus Committee General Meeting Minutes



October 14, 2024 Gorton Center, Stuart Room

Caucus Committee meeting called to order: Joe Oriti, President of the Lake Forest Caucus, called the meeting of the Lake Forest Caucus Committee to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was in attendance. Mr. Oriti welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval of minutes: Mr. Oriti first raised the matter of approval of the minutes of the Committee meeting of October 8, 2024. Mr. Oriti asked for comments. There being none, on motion made by Larry Obermeyer and seconded by Adam Cohen, the minutes were approved by acclamation as presented without dissent.

Updates on Annual Meeting Voting Turnout and on the Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee: As the first order of business, Mr. Oriti called on Regina Etherton, Caucus Vice President, to provide a status report on efforts to promote voter turnout at the Caucus's upcoming Annual Meeting. Ms. Etherton summarized the voter turnout efforts to date and the efforts to be continued to the Annual Meeting date. Mr. Oriti thanked her for the report.

Mr. Oriti then provided an update as to the activity to date of the committee appointed by the Committee to recommend amendments to the Bylaws of the Caucus.

Interviews of Candidates for the Lake Forest Boards of Education: Mr. Oriti then raised the matter of the Committee's interviewing candidates at this Committee meeting and the one scheduled for tomorrow for the Lake Forest School District 67 and District 115 Boards of Education. He said that several candidates would be interviewed at each meeting, with voting on the Committee's selection of candidates for endorsement after all interviews were completed tomorrow.

The candidates to be interviewed this evening, all in respect of the District 67 Board, were Greg Adamo, Lori Fitzgerald, Scott Argie and Timo Berger. Each candidate was in turn invited into the meeting room to be interviewed by the Committee. Each presented his or her interest in the position and his or her experience and talents that would be useful on the school board. Each also addressed questions presented to them, made brief closing remarks and then at the end of his or her interview and after being thanked by Mr. Oriti for his or her interest in serving, left the meeting room.

Adjournment: There being no further business after the completion of the interviews, Mr. Oriti called for a motion to adjourn, which was made by Janet White, seconded by Tom Bohac and approved by acclamation by the Committee without dissent. The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Dale Tauke, Secretary