



## TTBU Executive Election Rules, 2020

**Published by the 2020 TTBU Election Commission Committee (ECC) in accordance with the TTBU Constitution, Bylaw 3.1.7.**

### **There will be a single ballot.**

The TTBU Constitution allows for a Candidate to 'drop down' once in executive elections (Bylaw 4.2.2.2). Candidates may indicate up to two (2) offices for which they wish to stand.

Nomination Forms will be distributed to the membership electronically, and posted on the TTBU website during the week of April 6th, 2020.

Completed nomination forms are due electronically to the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), Ron Gouweloos at [ttbuexelections@osstftoronto.ca](mailto:ttbuexelections@osstftoronto.ca) no later than 4:30 pm on April 23rd, 2020. Due to the nature of a single ballot format of voting, each Candidate must declare each office for which they wish to stand on the Nomination Form.

### **Campaign Literature Package**

Candidates may provide a single page (one side) of campaign literature (8½" x 11") for inclusion in an all-Candidates' information email, to be distributed the week of May 4th, 2020, due to the CEO electronically through email by Monday May 4th, 2020 at 4:30pm.

Candidates may provide a second single page (one side) of campaign literature (8½" x 11") for inclusion in an all-Candidates' information email, to be distributed the week of May 11th, 2020, due to the CEO electronically through email by Monday May 11th, 2020 at 4:30pm, or their first page, if submitted, will be resent.

Campaign literature on the TTBU website will be updated to reflect that submitted for distribution in the second all-Candidates' email.

### **Endorsements**

Endorsements of Candidates shall not be anonymous.

Members of the Election Commission Committee (ECC) will not endorse any Candidate privately or publicly.

Written endorsements for Candidates must be approved by the Candidate and endorser, and will be counted as part of the Candidate's own literature.

### **Telephone Town Hall Speeches**

A Telephone Town Hall will be held on Thursday, May 14th, 2020, (at a time to be determined), for Candidate speeches. Each Candidate, regardless of position(s) being sought, may speak for, up to, three (3) minutes.

A moderated question and answer session will follow the conclusion of the speeches with a time allocation to be determined by the Election Commission.

### **Electronic/Social Media Campaigning**

Candidates' electronic campaigning shall only include websites and/or social media groups/platforms which are open to the entire membership.

### **Contacting Members Directly**

There must be no unsolicited campaigning by Candidates. Specific permission must be sought from a member before any campaigning by phone or email. That permission must be sought via TDSB email using the following text:

*[email subject: "Candidate for TTBU Executive Election"] I have put my name forward in the upcoming TTBU Executive Elections. The Election Rules state that I cannot contact you by phone or email without getting your permission first. If you do not object to me contacting you about my campaign, please provide me with your preferred method of non-TDSB contact. [signed with Candidate name only, without email signatures or images]*

## **Voting Days**

Polls will open at 12:01am on Tuesday May 19th, 2020 to 4:30pm Thursday May 21st, 2020 online or by telephone through a third party provider, Simply Voting.

Emails and calls will be delivered to eligible voters regarding voting options. Voters may only vote using one (1) method, either by telephone or online.

Active campaigning will cease at 12:00am on Tuesday May 19, 2020.

## **Counting of Ballots**

No more than one scrutineer may be named on behalf of any Candidate. A scrutineer may represent more than one Candidate. Scrutineer names must be forwarded to the CEO before Friday, May 15th, 2020 at 4:30PM.

As ballots will be tabulated electronically, by the third party company Simply Voting, the Election Commission will advise scrutineers directly on the role that they will play at the appropriate time.

Final election results will be posted on the Bargaining Unit website ([www.osstftoronto.ca](http://www.osstftoronto.ca)) as soon as they are available.