VOTER ORIENTATION

SPECIAL ELECTION

EARLY ED. DIRECTOR

Introductions

- We are members of the UTLA Elections Committee
  - We are volunteer UTLA Members who were elected by the House of Representatives to manage the UTLA Elections for Officers and Directors

  - Janet Davis and Lanny Larsen Committee Co-Chairs
  - Charles Tripp- Voter Engagement Subcommittee

If you have questions, please put them in the chat and we will answer them at the end or get back to you. Charlie will monitor the chat and will answer questions there as well.

Early Ed Teacher Director Election

- Unfortunately, your elected Director, Teri Harnik, resigned for health reasons
- All EE teachers should have received a postcard and an email from UTLA informing them about the vacancy.
- *If you did not receive both notifications, please contact Pablo and update your contact information.*
- Prospective Candidates Declared (self-nominated) online.
- Nominations closed September 8th at 5:00 pm.

Qualifications

- A candidate must have been a member of UTLA for at least 24 months.

- Only Early Ed Teachers are qualified to run

- **Only Early Ed Teachers will be voting.**

Why is this Election Important?

- The EE Director is your voice on the UTLA Board of Directors (BOD)

- The BOD votes whether to approve important policy decisions & they must approve TA's before they are sent to the membership

- The Special Directors are called in for contract negotiations related to the group they represent

UTLA Board of Directors

- There are eight UTLA Areas --4 representatives for each

    - North, South, East, West, Central, Harbor, Valley East and Valley West.

- You all work in one of these areas- your 4 Area Directors are your representatives.

- However, Early Ed Teachers also have a Special Director to represent their specific issues

- Only 6 groups are identified in the UTLA Constitution to have a Special Director position representing their specific group of members

UTLA Special Directors –Citywide Representatives

Only these groups have a special director to represent and advocate for them at the UTLA Board of Directors

- Adult Education
- Early Education
- Special Education
- Bilingual Education
- Substitute Teachers
- Health and Human Social Work Professionals

Duties of the Early Ed Director

The Early Ed Director will:

- Attend the EE Committee meeting and help lead with the EE Committee Chair

- Be available to All Early Ed Teachers by providing contact information

- Work with your UTLA Area Rep., Pablo Murillo, to address school site issues

- Represent Early Ed teachers interests on the UTLA BOD.

The UTLA Early Ed Director is your only political representative focused on Early Ed issues in the UTLA Governance structure.

Importance of High Voter Turnout

- High voter turnout demonstrates your engagement and will be a strong mandate for whomever is elected

- This is a great opportunity to connect with the candidates and develop a relationship – so the issues you care about will be heard by the UTLA BOD

- Conducting this election is expensive so it should be taken very seriously

How will we vote?

- Your ballot will be mailed to your home.

- You can mail in your ballot or use your 8-digit PIN which comes with your ballot to vote online. You will also need to put in your employee #

- If UTLA does not have your correct current address the ballot will not be forwarded. **Please update your address now at** https://www.utla.net/members/update-your-information

- If you don't get a ballot, fill out the Replacement Ballot/ PIN Request form at **utlaelections.org** and you will have the choice to receive a paper ballot if you request it by Dec. 14th or you may have your PIN emailed to you so you can vote online. https://utlaelections.org/members/replacement-ballot-request-form/ (available after Nov. 30th.)

○ **Online Directions-** *if you had problems before…don't worry*

- Voters will no longer need to add zeros to their employee number if it has fewer than 8 digits

- Everyone should be able to vote electronically this if they want to.

- The UTLA Elections Committee will support you with any issues you have getting a ballot or voting- email **info@utlaelections.org**

- If you can't find your ballot or didn't receive one, fill out the Replacement Ballot and PIN Request Form and request your PIN.

This is a resource for voters and candidates. Go to utlaelections.org

Homepage has information and forms for Candidates

<mark>Homepage has information for Voters</mark>
Timeline to know when ballots will be coming
Candidate statements and flyers and social media
FAQ's for voters and instructions for online voting.

EVERYTHING ABOUT THE
2020 UTLA ELECTION
IS HERE

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, there are changes to the election process that have been put in place for the safety and welfare of our members. The UTLA building is closed. Meetings will be held virtually. Communication will be through email. All forms, statements, etc. will be submitted th

NEWS

Upcoming Election for the UTLA Early Education Center Director

2020 election made history

2020 results are up

2020 candidate statements, photos, and links are now posted

2020 candidate flyers and emails are now posted

More

NEXT "SAVE THE DATE"

August 10: The **Declaration Form for Early Education Center Director** is now available.

September 8: **DEADLINE** for **Candidacy Declarations** is 5:00 p.m.

More

CANDIDATES

2020 Election Candidates

Declaration of Candidacy Forms

FAQ for Candidates

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CANDIDATES FOR SPECIAL CATEGORIES DIRECTOR

Board of Directors (Special Category) includes Adult and Occupational Education, Bilingual Education, Early Childhood Education Centers, Health and Human Services, Special Education and Substitutes.

CONTESTED

UTLA Board of Director – Adult Education

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Matthew Kogan

STATEMENT   FACEBOOK 🔗   TWITTER 🔗   EMAIL   FLYER

Marc Wutschke

STATEMENT   EMAIL   FLYER

UNCONTESTED (CANDIDATES ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION)

UTLA Board of Director – Early Childhood Education

Teri Harnik

UTLA Board of Director – Health & Human Services

Mallorie Evans   STATEMENT

UTLA Board of Director – Special Education

Deborah Schneider   STATEMENT   FACEBOOK 🔗   TWITTER 🔗   FLYER

How else can we learn about the candidates?

- Candidates will have Early Ed <mark>Chapter Chairs' contact info</mark>
  - Candidates may ask Chap. Chairs to email flyers to their members.
  - Candidates may request to speak at EE chapter meetings
- Members can contact the candidate- (*Candidate emails will be online)*
  - Ask your Chapter Chair to invite the candidates to speak at your chapter meeting
  - All members can email candidates with questions, concerns or just to introduce themselves

Ballots sent out: November 30th

Ballots Due: January 11th

Please vote early

If you lose your ballot, request a replacement ballot or PIN (to vote online)

NOVEMBER 2020

November 30: Ballots mailed out

DECEMBER 2020

December 14: **DEADLINE** Paper Ballot Replacement Request- received by 5:00 pm. PIN Access Requests still available.

JANUARY 2021

January 7: **DEADLINE** to Request PIN Access- received by 5:00 p.m.

January 7: **DEADLINE** for candidates to submit an Observer Request Form – received by 5:00 p.m.

January 11: **DEADLINE** for paper and electronic ballots to be received by 8:00 a.m.

January 11: Elections Committee Observes Ballot Count via ZOOM. Candidates or their identified Observer may also observe if the Candidate has submitted the Observer Request Form by 1/07/2021 5:00 p.m.

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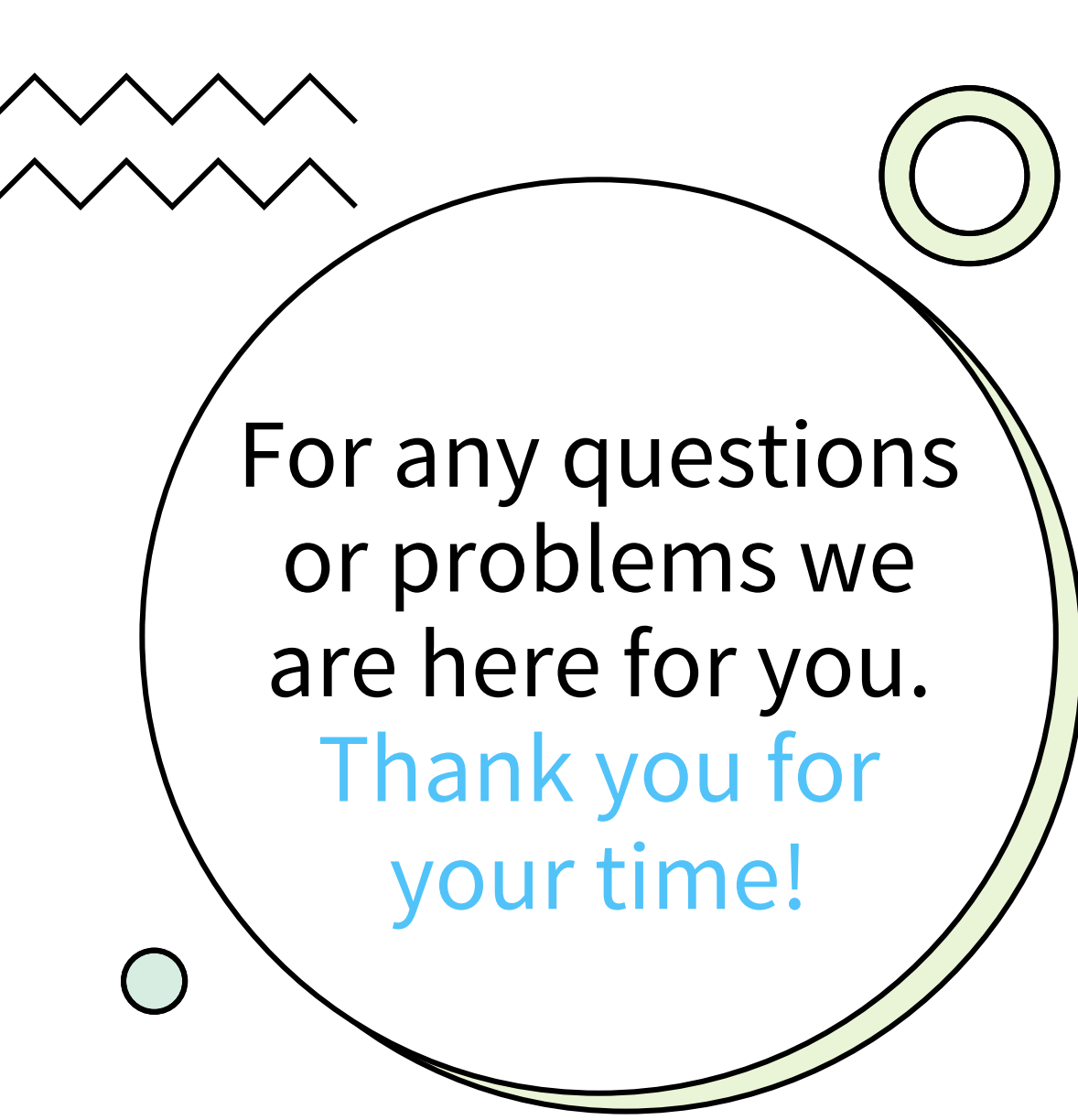
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At the top click on "UTLA Elections" you will land at utlaelections.org

For any questions or problems we are here for you.
Thank you for your time!

- Email: info@utlaelections.org

Website: www.utlaelections.org

We are:

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Charles Trip- Voter Engagement Committee

This presentation will be posted on the website.