

2022 Temple Election for the Hindu Temple Society (HTS), Board of Trustees (BOT) & Board of Governors (BOG), and Hindu Cultural Center (HCC) Board of Directors (BOD)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2022 from 1:00 - 3:00PM

Message #1 from the Nomination & Election Committee (NEC)

Dear Devotees,

I hope all of you had an enjoyable summer this year. With the Covid pandemic easing a little bit, life is getting back to normalcy. We wish this serves well for our community locally and the world at large. As noted in the e-bulletin, the elections will be held on November 20th this year and we will follow the process similar to the 2021 election for the BOT, BOD and the BOG. In the event there is significant change, we will reach out to you by a special communication.

Election documents will be available soon on the temple website at www.albanyhindutemple.org. Please feel free to share this information with other devotees and temple members. It is in the interest of the members to participate in the election process since BOTs and BOGs play a vital role in governing the affairs of the temple and BODs in the governing of HCC. Through this election, temple members will elect BOTs, BOGs and BODs.

We seek nominations for each of the boards and you can email the scanned nomination form with signatures to Kirthivasan Nagarajan at HTSNEC2022@gmail.com. You can also submit your nomination form in the main temple in person to a NEC member on the following dates mentioned below. Please note that nominations dropped in the Hundi will not be accepted. In the event of an election, it is important that you bring photo ID to enable you to cast your vote. In the absence of a photo ID, the NEC may ask two voters with photo IDs to certify your identity.

Following are some important dates and deadlines:

- Suggested due date for candidates to mail nomination¹: **October 03, 2022**
- Date certified member list is available by: **October 07, 2022** (a preliminary list will be posted on the temple website by the end of September)²
- Date NEC will accept nominations in person at the DVD desk: **October 15, 2022 between 7pm-9pm**
- Date by which nomination should be received by NEC: **October 15, 2022**
- Date by which candidates can withdraw their nomination: **October 21, 2022**
- Date by which request for an absentee ballot³ should be received by NEC: **October 22, 2022**
- Absentee ballots to be mailed by the NEC: **October 24, 2022**
- Suggested date for absentee ballots to be mailed back to the NEC: **October 30, 2022**
- Date by which absentee ballot should be received by NEC: **November 13, 2022**
- Election Date: **November 20, 2022 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm**

Nomination & Election Committee (NEC)

Mr. Kirthi Nagarajan, Chairman (518) 285-9794

Mr. Purushotham Bangalore (518) 321-4704

Mrs. Janaki Krishnamoorthy (518) 281-9917

Election Appeals Committee

Mr. Gurinder Garcha

Mr. Prakash Joshi

Mr. Veerabhadra Bheemineni

¹ Nomination forms are available on the temple website.

² If your name does not appear on the member list and you believe you are a qualified member to vote, please contact the Membership Secretary – Smita Jain at 518-445-5678, manojandsmita@gmail.com

³ Absentee ballot request form will be available on Temple Website as well.