RULES FOR 2020 RCDP ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING to be conducted via ZOOM due to COVID-19

Monday May 11, 2020 Meeting call to order at 6:30pm

1) At the beginning of the May 2020 RCDP GM meeting, all Regular Elected, Appointed in Lieu of Election Members and their Alternate members term of office expires.

2) At the May 11, 2020 Organizational Meeting new members will be seated and Officer elections will be held. In order to be credentialled each person must have: paid their annual dues, be certified by the Riverside County Registrar of Voters as a 1) member by election or 2) a member in-lieu of election, 3) and/or be an Ex-Officio or 4) other provision per the bylaws.

3) Payment of Dues: on-line dues will be accepted through Act Blue until end of business (5PM PST) Friday, May 8, 2020. PERSONS WHO HAVE NOT PAID BY THAT TIME WILL NOT BE ABLE TO VOTE, NO EXCEPTIONS.

4) Ex-Officios: IN ORDER TO VOTE YOU MUST DESIGNATE VIA EMAIL TO credentials.rcdp@gmail.com BEFORE THE END OF DAY MAY 8, 2020 by name and email address who is casting your vote, YOU OR YOUR ALTERNATE.

Ex-Officios: in order to have your alternate cast your vote, s/he had to be appointed before March, 2020 and both your and the alternates dues must be paid.

5) ZOOM MEETING: Each member will receive an invitation to join the Zoom meeting. Members: If you have not paid your dues, you will be able to watch BUT NOT VOTE. Others who only wish to observe, will be joined to the meeting as space allows.

6) Credentialing will begin Monday, May 11, 2020 at 6:00pm via roll call to determine who is present to vote. Any member not present by the end of roll call will not be eligible to receive a ballot to vote.
7) Election of Officers: Chair, Vice Chair, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Controller. Each will serve a two (2) year term.

At the March 2020 General Membership meeting the following members were nominated:

Chair: Tisa Rodriguez
Vice Chair: Agi Kessler
Recording Secretary: Lanny Swerdlow
Corresponding Secretary: Francisco Ramos
Controller: Yousef Bhaghani

Additional nominations will be accepted at the May 11th General Membership Zoom meeting. Nominations from the membership are in order and the nominee must accept the nomination. Self-nominations are also in order.

A member may be nominated for more than one position. If a member receives the highest number of votes for multiple positions, they must declare immediately in which position they will serve, at which time the member(s) with the next highest number of votes will be declared the winner. This process will repeat as necessary and is unique to this Zoom election only.

Candidates have the opportunity to speak for two (2) minutes.

8) Officer elections will be by electronic ballot which will be sent by email to each credentialled member at the email address on file. Ballots MUST be returned from the same email address no later than 4pm on May 12, 2020. To return your ballot, simply click on “SUBMIT” after completion.

Results will be announced at the May 12, 2020 ZOOM meeting.

9) Convener: Steve Ruth has been appointed by the Executive Board to Convene the election. Steve is a past Chair of the RCDP and has knowledge of the RCDP bylaws and Robert’s Rules of Order, he is the out-going
Corresponding Secretary and not seeking any position on the County Committee.

10) Assembly District Chair and Secretary elections will also be held via Zoom on to May 12, 2020. Breakout sessions and times will be announced no later than May 3, 2020. Each breakout session will only consist of the members of that Assembly District. Please reserve the date as your attendance is required for quorum.

Each person running is asked to read the “Acceptance of Responsibility for Assembly District Chair” to consideration for election.

Each Assembly District forms a caucus, candidates speak for 2 minutes and a vote by ballot or show of hands may be used to conduct the election.

Each successful candidate signs form upon winning the AD Chair election.

Results of the Officer elections will be announced at the May 12, 2020 Zoom meeting.

These rules have been revised to accommodate the need to conduct the RCDP Organizational meeting via Zoom due to the Covid-19 shelter-in-place directive. The revised rules having been adopted by the Executive Board of the RCDP on April 27, 2020 shall be posted on the RCDP website no later than April 30, 2020.