RAO Nominations Committee Update for the RAO Newsletter

Respectfully submitted by Mary Manning, Immediate Past Chair

The RAO Nominations Committee called for nominations and created a slate of candidates for three positions: Vice Chair/Chair Elect (VC/C) and two Steering Committee Positions.

We originally received eleven nominations for Steering Committee but none for VC/C. To fill the open VC/C spot, the Nominations Committee asked the Steering Committee candidates to consider running for VC/C, and most candidates agreed to run.

To leave both pools large enough, most candidates agreed to run for both positions, but will only be eligible to serve on one position.

To make this work, votes for the VC/C office will be counted first, and the VC/C candidate with the most votes will win that position. At that point, the winner for VC/C will no longer be eligible for the Steering Committee positions, and the two of the remaining Steering Committees candidates with the greatest number of votes will serve on that committee.

One candidate has dropped out from both races, leaving nine candidates for VC/C and ten for the two Steering Committee spots. We are thrilled to have such a large number of strong candidates for these three open positions. Thanks to all the candidates for running!

The Nominations Committee for this year consisted of the following members:

Erin Lawrimore

Mary Manning (chair)

Alison Stankauff