



Custom Election Regulations Review

January 25, 2024

Minutes

Attendees:

On Zoom: Rosemary Phillips, Darcy Fisher, Gayle Michel, Leona Kains, Samantha Sam, Sharon Lovely, Leona Daniels, Anna Hudson.

In the Band Hall: Stephanie Sam, Hilary Vance, Mary Jimmy, Roberta Nicholas, Rachel Bach. David Bach, SAO, Meeting Chair
Karen Vargas, Executive Assistant, Minute taker.

1. Call to order

Meeting called to order at 5:45 p.m.

2. Opening Prayer

Said by Stephanie Sam

3. Overview section 30 of the Custom Election Regulations

David Bach went over section 30 of the custom election code, which outlines the process for reviewing and amending the Election Regulations.

In particular, a request was received to hold an election code review meeting to review Appendix A, *“Terms of Reference of the Office of the Chief and Councillor”*. Now that the process has been started, anyone in attendance of this meeting may make suggestions for amendments.

It was advised that although that was the particular section identified to hold an election code review meeting, the election regulations permit all electors at the review meeting to propose amendments to the election regulations.

All proposed amendments will be compiled and mail out to all eligible voters on January 26 (tomorrow). 2 weeks after the distribution (February 9) there will be another meeting for voters to discuss, and accept or reject the proposed amendments. The last step in the process is the Ratification meeting in which Chief and Council ratified the amendments made by voters.



4. Receive proposed amendments

There were some amendments which were emailed into the SAO and elections@akisqnuq.org by electors who were not at the meeting. Accordingly, it was advised these could be included in the proposed amendments only if someone at the meeting was willing to present them as their amendments. The participants at the meeting reviewed the emailed submissions and select proposals have been included in the set of proposed amendments.

Following the email submissions, the floor was open, and the present electors proposed additional amendments for consideration. All proposed amendments from this meeting are attached to these minutes as Appendix A.

5. Closing debrief

24 amendments were received, these will be distributed tomorrow (January 26, 2024). The voters will have 2 weeks to review the proposed amendments. Voters can send their comments to the amendments via email as these will be discussed again and accepted at the next meeting on February 9. Emailed comments are not necessary, but simply an option, voters can also have their comments ready for the February 9 meeting.

The window to present any more amendments is now closed.

6. Adjourned

Meeting Adjourned time 7:50 p.m.