



Socialist Rifle Association, Inc.
4601 E Douglas STE 150
Wichita, KS 67218

RESULTS OF THE MAY 2019 ELECTORAL REFERENDUM

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Reviewed by JL Hamilton

SECTION ONE: INTRODUCTION

At the time of the preparation of the Referendum, approximately 3:30 PM Central Time, the membership roster recorded 1,933 members. Of this number, a total of 1,889 valid emails were sent out, with two emails of that sum sent out additionally due to inaccessibility or error in the email address. The difference between the roster count and email count is due to various periods of information loss throughout the SRA's history, either due to previous overly strict information security policies in the beginning months of the organization, or scripting errors during large surges of membership. To the knowledge of the officers, all of these potential errors have been corrected since November of 2018, and it has been a continuing effort of the organization to recover any lost information. The officers have assisted any member that has come forward to provide their information, and attempted to post regular updates on multiple platforms to catch any member who wished to participate but did not initially receive a ballot. During the course of the referendum, seven members whose emails were not on the initial send list entirely (i.e. they were not on the list with a typo) were added to the ballot sending process.

The breakdown of turnout and sending, as provided by Survey Monkey, the provider of the delivery method used, is as follows:

Emails:

Total emails sent: 1,889.
Total emails opened: 991.
Total emails unopened: 867.
Total emails bounced: 9.
Total emails clicked through: 677.
Total emails opted out of Survey Monkey: 22.

Responses:

Complete responses: 557.
Partial responses: 37.
Total responses: 597.

Turnout percentages:

(All percentages as a percentage of total membership)

Membership (at time of referendum): 1,933 (100.00%).
Unique ballots sent (total emails sent minus changed emails): 1,887 (97.62%).
Total responses: 594 (30.73%).



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SECTION TWO: RESULTS

(Percentages may not add up to 100.00% due to rounding errors)

QUESTION ONE: Shall the terms of the members of the Central Committee and the Officers of the organization be extended to two years in length, to take effect on the October 2019 election?

Answered: 593
Skipped: 1

Yes: 460 (77.44%)
No: 133 (22.39%)
Skipped: 1 (00.16%)

QUESTION TWO: Shall members of the Central Committee be limited to a consecutive number of terms?

Answered: 592
Skipped: 2

Yes: 378 (63.63%)
No: 214 (36.02%)
Skipped: 2 (00.33%)

QUESTION THREE: If question #2 is approved of, shall members of the Central Committee be limited to serve four or six years consecutively in their role?

Answered: 586
Skipped: 8

Four years: 310 (52.18%)
Six: 276 (46.46%)
Skipped: 8 (01.34%)

QUESTION FOUR: Shall the threshold for a petition to be made into a referendum continue to be one fifth of the dues paying membership, or shall it be changed to one fifth of the total number of members who participated in the most recent election of the Central Committee, to take effect immediately following the October 2019 election?

Answered: 592
Skipped: 2

Remain at one fifth of the dues paying membership: 348 (58.58%)



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Change to one fifth of the total number of members who participated in the most recent election of the Central Committee: 244 (41.07%)
Skipped: 2 (00.33%)

QUESTION FIVE: Shall the President of the Socialist Rifle Association stand for general election and be guaranteed a seat on the Central Committee?

Answered: 590
Skipped: 4

Yes: 500 (84.17%)
No: 90 (15.15%)
Skipped: 4 (00.67%)

QUESTION SIX: Shall the Vice President of the Socialist Rifle Association stand for general election and be guaranteed a seat on the Central Committee?

Answered: 589
Skipped: 5

Yes: 468 (78.78%)
No: 121 (20.37%)
Skipped: 5 (00.84%)

QUESTION SEVEN: Shall the Secretary of the Socialist Rifle Association stand for general election and be guaranteed a seat on the Central Committee?

Answered: 589
Skipped: 5

Yes: 393 (66.16%)
No: 196 (32.99%)
Skipped: 5 (00.84%)

QUESTION EIGHT: Shall the Treasurer of the Socialist Rifle Association stand for general election and be guaranteed a seat on the Central Committee?

Answered: 590
Skipped: 4

Yes: 388 (65.31%)
No: 202 (34.00%)
Skipped: 4 (00.16%)



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QUESTION NINE: Shall the Legal Coordinator of the Socialist Rifle Association stand for general election and be guaranteed a seat on the Central Committee?

Answered: 589
Skipped: 5

Yes: 304 (51.17%)
No: 285 (47.97%)
Skipped: 5 (00.84%)

QUESTION TEN: Shall ratified chapters of the Socialist Rifle Association be permitted to petition for referendum, as chapters, if 1/4th of all ratified chapters petition for such a referendum?

Answered: 589
Skipped: 5

Yes: 556 (93.60%)
No: 33 (05.55%)
Skipped: 5 (00.84%)

SECTION THREE: CORRECTIONS

- 7 emails that were not included on the initial send list at all (i.e. there was no incorrect email address to correct) were added during the course of the Referendum by member request.
- 2 emails were updated from previous emails that were no longer accessible or could not access the ballot.
- 2 emails with typos were updated.
- 1 email was moved from opt out to opt in by a member.



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SECTION FOUR: CONCLUSION

Greater turnout will always be appreciated, and is vital for the long term health of the organization. Nevertheless, 31% turnout is quite good for a national nonprofit organization, and is in line with the response rate of previous informal surveys sent out by the organization. Almost all questions were answered by substantial majorities, showing a clear consensus amongst the membership on many issues. A new mechanism for putting forward referendums has been implemented, and hopefully the future referendums run as comparatively smoothly as this one.

SECTION FIVE: CERTIFICATION

I, Jason Hamilton, in my role as Secretary of the Socialist Rifle Association, certify the results listed on this report as true and accurate to the best of my professional knowledge and expertise, and hereby submit this report to the permanent record of the Socialist Rifle Association, with all questions binding to the Bylaws, and direct the Central Committee to incorporate language as appropriate to implement these questions in my role as Recording Officer.



Signature

05/15/2019
Date

I, Alexander Tackett, in my role as President of the Socialist Rifle Association, certify that the results listed on this report as true and accurate to the best of my professional knowledge and expertise, and second the Secretary's order to the Central Committee to incorporate language as appropriate to implement these question in my role as Supervisory Officer.



Signature

5/15/19
Date