

December 3, 2014

Dear Candidate for Silver Haired Legislature:

The Procedures Committee for Membership Selection of the Central Midlands Caucus of the Silver Haired Legislature met on November 3, 2014 and set the following election procedures:

All candidates will be mailed election procedures, which can be obtained from the Central Midlands Area Agency on Aging:

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1. The Area Agency on Aging will mail a packet consisting of a filing form, brochure, and SCSHL by-laws to all potential candidates.
2. Candidates will return filing form and non-refundable filing fee of \$20 to the Central Midlands Area Agency on Aging during the period from January 5, 2015 – February 11, 2015.
3. All candidates will be able to attend a “Meet the Candidates” forum where they will receive all the candidates’ filing forms on March 9, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Central Midlands Council of Governments. No candidates will be allowed to make a presentation at this time. Filing forms will be used to determine selection.
4. All candidates will meet as a group to select Representatives on March 16, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at Central Midlands Council of Governments, 236 Stoneridge Drive, Columbia, SC 29210
5. The Central Midlands Area Agency on Aging will print ballots with the candidates’ names in alphabetical order by County.
6. Each candidate will sign for his ballot upon entrance on March 16, 2015.
7. Each candidate may vote for no more than the maximum number of representatives per county.
8. A vote will be taken at 2:30 p.m. on March 16, 2015 with each candidate present voting. The ballots will be collected by 2:45 p.m.
9. The Central Midlands Area Agency on Aging staff will conduct the election and count the votes.
10. If any ballot contains more votes than the maximum for the county, the ballot for that county will be discarded.

11. In the case of a tie, a second ballot will be distributed immediately following the counting of the first ballots.
12. The Central Midlands Area Agency on Aging staff will count the second ballots.
13. The top vote receivers will be declared Representatives.
14. The Representatives will be announced March 16, 2015 at the Caucus election. Immediately following announcements a meeting will be held to elect officers.
15. The newspapers of the region will be informed of the South Carolina Silver Haired Legislature Representatives by the Central Midlands Area Agency on Aging.

Thank you for your interest in being a part of this valuable advocacy group. A time-line of important dates and a listing of this year's priorities are enclosed for your information.

Sincerely,

Cindy Curtis
Interim Director, Area Agency on Aging

Enclosures

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