

BUFFALO TEACHERS FEDERATION, INC.

SECOND REPORT OF ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Janine Williams, Chairperson, #206 (South Park)
Beth Ann Fullagar (MLK)
James Healy, Secretary, #192 (BAVPA)
Angela Hester, #31 (Harriet Ross Tubman)

Brian Hilton, #033 (Bilingual Center)
Jorge Koury, #156 (Olmsted)
Temothye Peart, # 65 (Roosevelt ECC)

CAMPAIGNING

I. A. PROVOCATOR

1. The Elections Committee shall handle the campaign edition of the *Provocator*. Each candidate for office shall be entitled to submit a personal platform statement to be printed in a special campaign edition of the *Provocator*. Such platform statement shall be strictly limited to 200 words with the exception of the Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates who shall be allotted 400 words **and** turned in to the BTF offices by email, attention Janine Williams jwill479@gmail.com **AND** James Healy jimhealy716@gmail.com not later than 4:00 PM on Wednesday, April 5, 2017.

All platform statements **must** be submitted via email, typed in Microsoft Word using Times/Times New Roman font, and any pictures in either pdf or jpg / jpeg format and not embedded in content but kept separate from text.

2. Advertisements in the campaign edition of the *Provocator* may be purchased by candidates and must be submitted to the BTF attention Janine Williams *and* James Healy, BTF Elections Committee *and* received at the BTF by 4:00 PM on Wednesday, April 5, 2017.

Provocator Ad sizes:

Eighth page	4.75 width (horizontal) x 2.5 h (vertical)	\$150
Quarter page	4.75 width x 5.0 h	\$250
Half page	10 width x 6.5 h	\$400
Full page	10 width x 13 h	\$550

3. Credentials list must be submitted to the BTF attention Janine Williams *and* James Healy, BTF Elections Committee *and* received at the BTF by 4:00 PM. on Wednesday, April 5, 2017.

4. Order of placement in the election issue of the *Provocator* will be determined by lottery. Except for President and Vice President, candidates for BTF office will be grouped together in the category in which they are running.

B. OTHER CAMPAIGN MATERIAL

1. All printed material shall bear the identification of those responsible for its contents.

2. All candidates for office are responsible for the distribution of their campaign materials.

3. THE BUFFALO PUBLIC SCHOOL PONY AND OWA SYSTEM, INCLUDING THE BOARD'S E-MAIL, SHALL NOT BE USED TO CAMPAIGN.

4. All candidates for office must arrange and pay for their own campaign materials. No candidate may use BTF machinery.

5. In order to ensure equal opportunity for all candidates to reach all teachers in all schools, a list of schools, the number of teachers at each school and current list of members of the Council of Delegates shall be made available to all candidates.

6. In keeping with the long-standing policy of the Council of Delegates, membership lists shall not be made available to any candidate. However, any candidate may make arrangements to have direct mailings made to all BTF members through the BTF office. The entire cost of such mailings, including clerical costs shall be borne by the individual candidate. Specific guidelines for such mailings will be emailed to the candidates.

C. SCHOOL VISITATIONS

All candidates shall limit their school visitations for campaign purposes to lunch periods and the time before and after school sessions.

II. GROUP AFFILIATION PROCEDURES

Candidates will be listed by name only. No group affiliations will be designated on the ballot.

III. IMPORTANT DATES

Nominations	March 9-March 23, 2017 (Thursday-Thursday)
List of Nominations sent. Any candidate who does not receive one by Wednesday, March 29, 2017 should call the BTF office by 4:00 PM on that date.	March 29, 2017 (Wednesday)
Deadline for submitting Ads	4:00 PM April 5, 2017 (Wednesday)
Deadline for platform statements	4:00 PM April 5, 2017 (Wednesday)
Lottery	4:00 PM April 6, 2017 (Thursday)
Candidates notified of results	May 9, 2017 (Tuesday)
Final Election Report	May 31, 2017 (Wednesday) Council of Delegates Meeting