

OFFICIAL 2007 ACFI ELECTION BALLOT

Thank you for your interest and for your participation in the 2007 ACFI election.

Please read these instructions prior to voting. They are to be considered part of the ballot.

Per Article IV, Section 1 of the ACFI Bylaws, all USCF Members who are Arizona residents per USCF records are entitled to submit a ballot for the 2007 ACFI election. The complete Bylaws can be found at www.arizonachess.org.

Ballots can be obtained from the ACFI website (www.arizonachess.org), by a request e-mailed to azchess@cox.net, for an e-mailed ballot, or by postal mail (only if requested). These blank ballots or copies thereof will be accepted as long as they are submitted with proper identification as described below. Proxy votes or third party ballots are NOT allowed. Ballots must be submitted by each properly identified member. Identification requires verification of name, USCF ID #, and address of all voters and legal guardians of voters who are under age 18. Please note: The guardian is not required to be a USCF member.

VOTING PROCEDURE

1. If you are qualified to vote, per the above, please fill out the ballot. You may vote for one candidate each for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Officer. You may vote for up to two candidates for Regional Representative from your region. Votes for a Regional Representative who is in a different region or for more than the allowed number of candidates for any position will not be accepted. You may also vote for any Bylaws changes. Write-in votes are allowed but count as a vote, so if only one vote is allowed for a position the write-in counts as your one vote. Ballots for a candidate and a write-in for the same position will not be counted except for Regional Representatives, for whom up to two votes are allowed.

2. Once your ballot is completed we suggest you fold it appropriately, place it into a small sealed envelope and write your region number or ZIP Code (and nothing else) on the outside of the envelope. The ballots will be sorted by region prior to actual counting. Placement of the ballot directly in the mailing envelope rather than in an inner envelope does not invalidate the ballot but constitutes your waiving your right to a secret ballot. Please note: To simplify Regional boundaries please use Region 1 for ZIP codes 850xx to 853xx, 2 for ZIP codes 856xx to 857xx, and 3 for all other Arizona ZIP Codes.

3. Place the envelope that contains the ballot and a copy of an ID that shows your current address into a mailing envelope. Please note that absence of an ID invalidates any ballots that might be contained in the envelope. The mailing envelope must contain a return address that includes the USCF ID numbers of any voters whose ballots are contained in the envelope. Submissions for any voter under age 18 must also include the ID and address of the voter's legal guardian. Address the mailing envelope to ACFI Secretary Myron Lieberman PO Box 40082, Mesa, AZ 85274. It would help, but is not required, to mark "Ballot Enclosed" on the mailing envelope.

4. Verify that the USCF ID numbers of all voters whose ballots are contained in the mailing envelope are written on the outside of the envelope, preferably under the return address, and that they are addressed as shown above.

5. Ballots must be received at the Post Office Box no later than 10:30 AM on Thursday, October 11, 2007. Ballots received after that time must clearly show a postmark that would document that the ballot should have been expected to be received by then. Since mail is not distributed to PO Boxes after 10:30 AM at that PO branch and mail not sent from the main Phoenix Post Office could take an extra day, postmarks that indicate a mailing date from the Phoenix area later than Tuesday, October 09, may be questioned. Ballots that arrive after the deadline but before the count will be classified as late and may or may not be counted.

BALLOT COUNT

The Post Office Box will be checked on a regular basis and a log will be kept of when the ballots were actually received.

Without opening the envelopes, USCF ID numbers will be verified as belonging to current USCF members with an Arizona address. That will also help us get an idea of the number of ballots that have been received as of any point in time. It will be assumed that the return address indicates the proper region, which will be later confirmed by the address ID inside the envelope.

The ballots will be counted at 10 AM at the Mathnasium, 538 S. Gilbert Rd. #107, Gilbert, AZ 85296, as the first item of business for the annual ACFI Meeting. The ballot count will be open to all observers. Please e-mail azchess@cox.net if you plan to attend.

The envelopes will first be separated by region and the number of voters from each region will be documented. All envelopes from one region will then be opened and the return address verified against the address ID inside the envelope. After verification, the ballots will be removed from the mailing envelope and retained for counting. The other materials will be set aside for documentation if there are any questions. The ballots from the region being counted are now completely separated from any personal identification and the votes from that region are counted.

The same procedure is used for each region until all three regions have been counted. The results are then combined to provide

statewide totals for every position except Regional Representative.

CANDIDATES FOR ACFI STATEWIDE OFFICES (VOTE FOR ONE)

PLEASE NOTE: ZIP code ranges as shown below will be used as a method to sort by region during the ballot count.

Mark an X to the left of your selection. If it is a write-in please also write the name in legibly

President – Vote for one Dean Cullen
Write-in _____

Vice President – Vote for one Ramie Jimenez
Write-in _____

Secretary - Vote for one Myron Lieberman
Write-in _____

Treasurer - Vote for one Jennifer Shacter
Write-in _____

Membership Officer - Vote for one Donald Godfrey
Write-in _____

CANDIDATES FOR ACFI REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES (VOTE FOR TWO)

Region I Representative (vote for 2) ZIP 850xx - 853xx

Lynn Schucker
Philip Harmonick
Write – in 1 _____
Write – in 2 _____

Region II Representative (Vote for 2) ZIP *56xx-857xx

Robby Adamson
Kiki Huerta
Write – in 1 _____
Write – in 2 _____

Region III Representative (Vote for 2) All other AZ ZIP codes.

Trey Manning
Spencer Lower
Write – in 1 _____
Write – in 2 _____

