**POLITICAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**October 9, 2020**

1. Board of Directors Recap (John Ferrera)
   1. Strategic planning
   2. Tactical goals
   3. Relationship building in a virtual environment
   4. Discussing election results with members
   5. Increasing involvement and engagement of Regional Directors in political work
2. New member starting next month to fill vacant position
3. Phone call with Governor (Leah Solo)
   1. Approximately 30 minutes long
   2. Consisted of stories from members, temporary unclassified status, DHS privatization
4. Member one-on-one updates
   1. Nicole Juan attended a New Employee Orientation
5. Slack usage discussion
   1. Permissions will be updated for channel
   2. Reminder to be professional
6. Election Shifts and Commitments Update
   1. 352 total shifts (87 member-to-member calls)

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**November 13, 2020**

1. Welcome Chet Bodin!
2. Election Results and Reflection
   1. Close races (down to a few hundred votes) in some districts
   2. Polling predictions
   3. Senator Tomassoni elected to Senate President
   4. Future legislative redistricting
   5. MAPE completed 757 shifts
   6. Potential for future trainings
   7. What went well this campaign season?
      1. Zoom phone banks
      2. Regular days for phone banking and volunteering
      3. Information for recruiting new people with link, time, and training from the candidate at the beginning of each shift
      4. MAPE Elections webpage
      5. Member-to-member calls
   8. How do we look at things differently next time?
      1. Publish schedule(s) on webpage
      2. Work with local leaders
      3. Empower staff to hold campaign accountable for their commitment
3. Campaign finance and election law changes
4. **Motion (John Fererra):** The Political Council calls on the Board of Directors to allow the Political Councils to control the political fund.
   1. Second-Nicole Juan
   2. Passed
5. Defense of Democracy
   1. Discussion about elections and democracy displaying the voice of the people
   2. Role of Political Council/MAPE – continue discussion
6. Legislature 2021
   1. Work with the Negotiations Team?
   2. Establish rapport with new legislators
   3. Likely to be a remote session – How will that affect advocacy and contacting legislators?
   4. New ways to establish contact with constituents/members with their legislator
   5. Redristricting – Research further and educate members
7. December “Retreat”
   1. December 11, 2020
   2. Focus on training, goals, and priorities