



February 22nd, 2020

## 2020 GIS Board Election/March 2020 General Body Meeting

Assalamu-Alaikum Dear GIS Parents,

We pray to Allah (SWT) this letter finds you in good health and high Islamic spirits. We are pleased to inform you that the upcoming GIS Board election will be held on March 13th and continue during the March General Body Meeting on March 14th.

**Please note that you must be a MCA member by March 12th 6:00 PM to vote so please review your membership status at: <https://www.mcabayarea.org/about-us/mca-membership>**

### Open positions

The following board members are ending their terms this year:

- Maha Dahbour.
- Alma Soto.
- Magdy AbdelRahman.

**Two (2) of these positions are to be filled by elections** and one is to be appointed by the MCA Executive Board (EB).

### Dates & Locations

- The deadline to receive nominations will be on Saturday, February 29th at 9:00PM. The Election committee will be available on Friday Feb 28th, 2020 from 8:30PM - 9:15PM at Aisha Hall, MCA, to receive nominations in person. Members unable to come in person can send nominations via email till Feb 29th, 9pm.
  - We request that any nomination withdrawals happen before March 7th to give us time to update the community.
  - A Candidate Forum will be held to introduce the new candidates on Friday the 6th of March from 6:30PM to 9:00 PM at Maryam Hall, MCA.
  - The GIS Elections will be held on March 13th in addition to a single hour slot during the GBM. The details of the locations and times for voting are as follows:
    - Friday March 13th at the Maryam Hall, MCA
      - 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM
      - 6:45 PM to 9:00 PM
    - Saturday, March 14th at the Maryam Hall, MCA during the GBM
      - 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM.
4. The GIS General Body Meeting (GBM) will be held on Saturday the 14th of March from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM at Maryam Hall, MCA.



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### Eligibility requirements to participate in GIS elections process

- For Voters:
  - To be eligible to vote you must be a parent of a GIS student and a member of the MCA. For this years elections you must renew or become an MCA member before 6:00 PM on March 12th<sup>1</sup>.
  - Each family unit will constitute one voting member. A family unit is defined as parents or guardians of the child or children who are attending GIS.
  - You must vote in person. Absentee ballots are not available for the GIS elections.
  - To be able to vote on Election Day you must present a valid photo ID such as State of California Driver license, California ID, US Green Card or Passport.
  - If you are a legal guardian and would like to vote, please bring a letter from the GIS Business office attesting to the fact and mentioning the student ID in question.
- For Nominators:
  - To be eligible to nominate or second the nomination you must be a parent of GIS student and a member of the MCA before the nomination deadline stated above.
- For Nominees:
  - To be eligible for nomination you must be MCA members before the nomination deadline stated above.

May Allah (SWT) make this annual election process continue to be a source of unity, strength, and harmony among the members of our community, Ameen.

The Election committee members:

- Ahmed El Zein
- Altaf Khan
- Buland Altaf
- Mohammed Tusanu Rahman (Chair)

The MCA Election Committee can be reached via email for any questions or concerns:

[election@mcabayarea.org](mailto:election@mcabayarea.org)

Note:

- You can apply for MCA membership online or check your current status: <https://www.mcabayarea.org/about-us/mca-membership> The membership committee can be reached at [membership@mcabayarea.org](mailto:membership@mcabayarea.org) for all membership issues.
- You can download the Nomination form from here: <https://www.mcabayarea.org/download-documents/category/15-mca-elections>

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<sup>1</sup> This year, the membership committee will be compiling the final membership list to be used for the elections at the last possible moment (March 12th at 6:00 PM). This will give us just enough time to print out the lists to be ready for the elections at 7:30 AM the next day. We appreciate you renewing or completing your membership at the earliest possible time to help the election process be as smooth as possible.