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Members of the Board and Heads of Sections

Re: **December Delayed Election**

Dear Colleagues;

On December 11, 2021, our General Election will select a new president and members of the board of the Shevchenko Scientific Society of America. We, the members of the alternative slate, expect the process of preparing for the election and the voting to be transparent and fair.

To that end, we propose that the following measures be enacted:

1. Impose a moratorium on any membership upgrades. As you know, a regular member may be promoted to the status of a correspondent member or full member only by means of a secret vote in the relevant academic section. Any other promotion contravenes the Statute.

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2. Provide us with an opportunity to familiarize ourselves with the Society's membership roster of those eligible to vote: full members and correspondent members with updated information regarding the last three years' payment of dues as of the date of the election.
3. Include our representative in the working group preparing materials for the elections.
4. Grant candidates for the presidency equal rights with respect to contacting all members by way of the administration's electronic mail, the official web-page, and the Society's Facebook page.
5. Ensure that our representative be present during the preparation, packaging, and mailing of informational material to eligible Society members.
6. Respond to the fact that the majority of the Society's members live beyond New York City and the worsening COVID situation by holding the election via confidential mail-in ballots as in 2009, 2012, 2015 and 2018. Those members who would like to be present while the votes are counted can bring their sealed voting envelopes, as well as proxy votes, on the day of the election.
7. Set the rules determining a quorum for the following:
 - opening the December 11 meeting
 - selection of officiating members
 - confirmation of Nominating Committee
 - acceptance of Program
 - selection of Vote Counting Committee
 - selection of Resolutions Committee
 - voting regarding decision of Audit Committee
 - voting to confirm Program of Vote Counting Committee
8. Respond to the ongoing COVID pandemic by requiring all members of committees to confirm that they are vaccinated and to wear appropriate face covering.

Respectfully,



Michael P. Hrycak

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A. Motyl, and his proposed slate of officers

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