



State of Sandus

Caucus of the Quinque Interreges

Report on the Selection of Candidates for the Inheritance

In accordance with the Law on the Succession of the Sôgmô of May 2018, the Caucus of the Quinque Interreges has committed itself to the process of seeking candidates for the position of heir. The law prescribes that this caucus nominate and certify suitable candidates for this constitutional office that is to be elected every five years. Over the course of the past year, this body has whittled the list down to a “shortlist” of candidates, as commanded by the law, which is done. This process began dutifully at the beginning of the year as members nominated various choices:

Spring 2019: Long List of Candidates

1. Adam Camillus von Friedeck
2. Jan DeWitt
3. Eric Langewicz
4. Bernie Sanders
5. K. Wilkerson

Summer 2019: Interviews with Candidates

The law prescribes that this body interviews all candidates for the position of heir over the Summer months. Regarding some candidates, we were uncertain if they would meet the requirements prescribed by law to be considered (e.g., to be willing to take up Sandum citizenship): Bernie Sanders and K. Wilkerson. For others, they were considered redundant as they were members of the caucus: Adam Camillus von Friedeck and Jan DeWitt. Finally, for one, Eric Langewicz, there

was much oversight in not following up to request an interview, though this could be said of other candidates with whom we thought would not meet the requirements to be considered or to stand for the position of heir. (See: 'Recommendations')

One interview was held. Gaius Soergel Publicola met with Jan DeWitt privately in July 2019 to discuss the position of being elected heir. The Sôgmô stressed the need for an individual conversant in theories of constitutionalism, whose politics are liberation- and socially-minded, and who would be willing and able to fulfil the expectations of the Office of Sôgmô, that is, should the need arise. Jan DeWitt not only agreed to the principles surrounding the inheritance, he also took initiative to consider other constitutional arrangements. After having thought about the position further, he concluded that he would stand for candidacy to the office of heir—so long as the Sôgmô receives a physical examination and is seen by a doctor. The Sôgmô agreed.

The consensus of the caucus was in support of Jan DeWitt.

Recommendations

The process of electing an heir is a new one in Sandus and, therefore, there are improvements to be made to future processes of selecting an heir. Members of this caucus recommend the following suggestions to future caucuses:

1. We recommend monthly meetings, irregular or regular, to encourage members' commitment to the plan of our schedule, as ordained by law, and also to maintain a high level of commitment among members.
2. We also recommend the practice of deputising members. This will allow individual members to interview candidates that they nominate and will enable the entire caucus to proceed more efficiently in the future.

23 September 2019 (XXIII Septembri MMXIX)

Autumn Equinox 2019: Shortlist of Candidates

Jan DeWitt, therefore, is our sole candidate for the position of heir.

We submit and certify this shortlist to the Party Congress of the Citizens' Party of Sandus.

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Sôgmô
Gaius Soergel Publicola

Facilitator of the Council
Artemis Baca

Civis
Sisenna Melville

Peregrinus
Jan DeWitt