

## Fall 2008 (SC)<sup>2</sup> Election of Officers

The nomination and election process was conducted within the guidelines of the organization By-Laws. However, because of some late term Board policy decisions, it appeared to some that the process may have been questionable. For several years, the Board policies (not By-Laws) allowed for a mail in (postcard) ballot. For several reasons, it was determined in the fall of 2008 to conduct the election at the conference annual meeting. This procedure allowed for considerable savings on postage and the work required by the all-volunteer (Board) nomination and election committee.

Also, after following the By-Laws required procedure of soliciting and reviewing nominations by a Board nominations committee, it was determined that only one name per office was available for the Board approved slate of officers. This was further reason for not doing a mail in ballot since all that was required was a yes or no vote to accept the slate during the duly called annual meeting.

Notification to the membership of the slate as prepared by the nominations committee was accomplished by publishing the slate on-line as well as by posting the slate beginning on the first day at the 2008 annual meeting. The slate and election announcement was posted extensively and conspicuously throughout the registration area and other well traveled areas at the convention. Thank you so much for having confidence in the (SC)<sup>2</sup> Board to conduct business prudently.