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I'd be happy to make public comment regarding my choices if that will help clear some air. I also agree with Mr. Mel Campbell that it may be prudent to revisit the idea of adding members to the committee in an effort to show transparency. I do think that this could open a "can a worms" but regardless, we must put forth a concerted effort to show our desire for full community involvement in this process.

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Kind People,

In the interest of our Board being fair and transparent, I believe that we must remedy this oversight. Our subcommittees must reflect the boards' philosophy of inclusivity .I abhor the backdoor politics that hinders real progress. Can we fix this...by increasing the number to include a couple SHARE members? The first step in becoming a Board of respectability is to dispense of the appearance of impartiality. Hopefully then our polarized citizen groups can follow our lead.

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Although STAND leadership does not reside in my district I did submit their names after I became aware that they were not represented. (And after viewing the membership list and realizing that all of those nominated by Mr. Dowling reside in my District). They were not accepted.

Cathy G. Robine

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