



## **PDP-USA ELECTION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Honorable Chairman sir, on behalf of the Election committee that was put together to work on recommendations on how to promote the aspirations of our fellow brothers and sisters, who aspire to run as candidates for elective positions all over Nigeria, we present to you our 10 point recommendations below on campaign finance assistance:

### **1. The candidate must be a PDP-USA member:**

This committee recommends that such an individual should first be a member of PDP-USA and such a member must also be in good standing within their local chapter.

### **2. How long individual been in PDP USA:**

This committee also recommends that we ascertain the candidate's length of stay in the United States, what organizations they belong to, what positions they hold and how well they have performed in those organizations. We also recommend that the candidate supplies some references from other organizations that they belong to before any recommendations can be made for them?

### **3. Chapter recommendation:**

This committee also recommends that each candidate must be recommended from their state chapter to the election committee before any dialogue can begin.

### **4. Short write-up on reason (s) for wanting to contest:**

This committee also recommends that the candidate write to the election committee board, their reasons for wanting to contest for the position they aspire for and why they think they should be recommended and supported.

### **5. Biography of any person running for election in Nigeria:**

The committee recommends that **anyone** running for an elective office in Nigeria, should submit their Bio to the appropriate channel in the party and then it can be given to the election committee who will advise them on the qualification needed or experience required for the position they seek.

### **6. Resume of individual running for election:**

The committee also recommends that the resume of the individual seeking this elective position be forwarded too to the appropriate channel so they can be better guided as they embark on this journey.

## **7. Candidate's fee to their local chapter and national:**

This committee also deliberated and decided on the recommendation that, each individual candidate running for an electoral position will pay certain fees to national, and their local chapters and those fees are (\$500.00 for National) (\$100.00 for local Chapter).

## **8. How much each chapters will contribute:**

On the contributions that is expected of each PDP chapter in each state towards the election fund, it was decided that a recommendation should be made for \$200.00 quarterly.

## **9. Method of fund disbursement discussed:**

This committee also discussed the method of disbursing the finds to the candidates and came to the following recommendations:

- A) That we have a discussion with each candidate and get to know what their areas of needs are regarding their campaign on ground and how we can assist.
- B) That based on our findings from A, we can just give each candidate the cash donation to be use for any aspect of their campaign they may deem fit.
- C) This committee recognizes that being a candidate is not enough in our society, but being well positioned matters a lot particularly amongst educated voters in this age of technological advancement. Therefore, it was recommended that if we identify media packaging as an area of need for them, we can help them put together a strong packaging of media presence and coverage that will project them before the voters, using the print, electronic and social media for them.

## **10. Other strategic collaborations that may be required include:**

Giving them strategic advice on how to better reach their various types of target audience at once, through organizing town hall meetings in their towns, villages, cities and state, granting interviews with local media houses, showing up and speaking at community events and even going to schools to speak to the students go a long way.

Finally, as the Chairman of this committee, I therefore present to you the points above, as recommended and agreed to by all the members of the committee. We thank you for this opportunity and we will continue to deliberate on more areas of specific needs for further recommendations.

Thank you

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Hon. Arinola Awosika (Vice Chairman)

Hon. Emmanuel Otonko (Secretary)

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