On June 12, the following email was sent to Council members by Mark Fernando:

Dear Council Members,

Please click on this link to vote for the Council Member-at-Large on the Executive Committee. As a reminder, the Executive Committee has the authority to act on behalf of the Council between meetings of the Council, subject to the D.C. Nonprofit Corporation Act of 2010 and composed of the President, President-Elect, Immediate Past President, Secretary-Treasurer, the Executive Director (non-voting), and a Council member-at-large elected by the Council members. In practice, the main activities of the EC are making decisions about time-sensitive public statements and responding to ethical disclosures tied to certain organizational activities, both of which are prescribed by policy. Very infrequently something else might arise for EC consideration. This is an important role, but not one that takes a lot of time. The EC only communicates/convenes when something arises. When issues arise, however, they are generally time sensitive. That means anyone serving on the EC has to be willing and able to respond to email very quickly.

As you know, this ballot was the product of nominations coming from Council members. All nominees were offered the opportunity to run, and those agreeing to run are on the ballot.

For an electronic ballot to be valid, we need 100% participation. The election results will be certified during the August Council Meeting. Please submit your vote no later than June 19.

Please note that votes are confidential. You will be asked to share your name for verification purposes.

Thank you,
Mark

All Council members voted, and the candidate receiving the most votes to serve as the Council Member-at-Large representative on the executive committee was Tressie McMillan Cottom.

Electronic votes require unanimity. There were three candidates and the winner did not receive 100% of the votes. Therefore, Council is asked today to approve the report of ballot and also to certify the winner of the election.