Board Candidacy Information

Overview
The ENA Board of Directors governs the overall execution of the organization’s mission and primarily manages the affairs of ENA. Additionally, the Board oversees the Chief Executive Officer, who is responsible for day-to-day management of ENA programs and operations. Board members contribute the educational, management, legal, and financial skills needed to ensure long term organizational stability, and ensure educational excellence for ENA programs.

Declaration of Candidacy
Board positions require a commitment that should not be underestimated. Candidates are urged to consider personal priorities for the next year as well as ways to contribute to the development of the organization.

To be eligible, candidates must:
• Be a professional licensed registered nurse
• Be a voting member during each of the previous five (5) years immediately prior to submitting the candidate application
• Have served in an elected or committee position on the local, state, or national level within the previous five (5) years
• Have attended at least one ENA General Assembly within the previous three (3) years as a delegate, alternate delegate, or other notable capacity
• Submit to, and pass as acceptable, a limited background check verifying personal identity, professional licensure, highest academic level, and an investigation for criminal activity
• Be currently serving as a voting member of the ENA Board of Directors (if applying for the position of Secretary/Treasurer or President-elect)

ENA Board of Directors Competencies
Prospective candidates are highly encouraged to review the ENA Board Competencies as expectations of an ENA Board of Directors member.

Time and Financial Considerations
Participation on the Board of Directors requires a significant time investment. Make sure your employer is aware and supportive of your participation in this election process and the impact of your election.

Meetings
• Conference Calls (as needed)
• Board Meetings:
  o March
  o July
  o September (held in conjunction with ENA’s annual conference)
  o December
• Attendance is optional at:
  o State and Chapter Leaders Orientation
  o Day on the Hill
• Board assignments: State council liaison and national committee liaison
Travel Cost
As an elected member of the ENA Board of Directors, ENA’s Travel Expense Reimbursement Policy provides reimbursement for travel, lodging, and meals for attending scheduled Board meetings, national committee meetings, and state liaison visits.

The ratified slate of candidates for the 2020 ENA National Election will be invited to participate in an election candidate “Meet and Greet” held during Emergency Nursing 2020 in Las Vegas. **No expense reimbursement will be provided for this event.**

Donations
In support of the ENA Foundation, members of the ENA Board of Directors are asked to provide an annual donation; 100% participation is sought; amount is optional.

The application deadline is **Wednesday, April 29, 2020 at 12:00 pm Central time.**

Questions or need assistance? Contact the ENA Executive Office at governance@ena.org 847.460.4095.