

Elections & Nominations

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Purpose

The Association elects Directors to serve on the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting. This page explains how Director positions are structured, how candidates are nominated, and how elections are conducted.

Board Structure

The Board consists of fifteen (15) Director positions. At least eleven (11) Director positions must be filled for the Board to conduct business.

Each Director position is associated with a specific seat and term cycle. To promote continuity, seats are structured so that approximately one-third of the Board is scheduled for election each year.

Board Seat Matrix

Seat	Current Director	Term Expires	Status	Director Status
1	Jim Stewart	2/2027	Open	1st Full Term
2	Heidi Komkov	2/2027	Open	1st Full Term
3	Terry Walker	2/2027	Open	1st Full Term
4	Charles Ewing	2/2027	Open	Remainder of Term
5	Phil Krehbiel	2/2027	Open	1st Full Term
6	Kathleen McCaughey	2/2028	Filled	2nd Consecutive Term
7	Larry Dragan	2/2028	Filled	First Full Term
8	Stan Davis	2/2028	Filled	First Full Term
9	Cathy Yandell	2/2028	Filled	First Full Term
10	Larry Layne	2/2028	Filled	First Full Term
11	Paul Baumgartner	2/2029	Filled	First Full Term
12	Andrea Edmonds	2/2029	Filled	First Full Term
13	Robin Otten	2/2029	Filled	First Full Term
14	Martin Kirk	2/2027	Open	Elected 2/2022, two 1-yr extensions after first 3-yr term
15	Randy Tripp	2/2027	Open	Elected 2/2022, two 1-yr extensions after first 3-yr term

Open Director Positions

The Nominating Committee announces each year the Director positions that will be open for election at the upcoming Annual Meeting.

Seats Open at Next Annual Meeting 2/2027

Seat	Current Director/Interim	Term Expires	Status	Election Type
14		2/2029	Open	
15	Randy Tripp	2/2029	Open	Must Stand for Re-election
1	Mark Stiles	2/2030	Interim	Must Stand for Election
2		2/2030	Open	
3		2/2030	Open	
4	Martin Kirk	2/2030	Open	Must Stand for Re-election
5	Phil Krehbiel	2/2030	Open	Must Stand for Re-election

Open Director positions may result from scheduled seat expirations, vacancies, or Interim Director appointments requiring election by the membership.

Current Election Information (draft)

- Positions Open: Seats 1, 2, 3, 4, 14, 15
- Nomination Deadline: December 20, 2026
- Candidates Bios Published: January 20, 2027 or before
- Annual Meeting: February 20, 2027

Considering Board Service?

Serving on the Board is an important volunteer commitment. Prospective candidates are encouraged to review:

- [Board Member Job Description](#) to include Board responsibilities and expectations
- [Current Board Meeting Schedule](#)

Becoming a Candidate

Candidates for election to the Board must be members of the Association.

Members may nominate themselves or another qualified member by submitting a written nomination no later than two (2) months before the Annual Meeting.

Nominations from the floor at the Annual Meeting are not permitted.

[Statement of Interest Form](#)

Candidate Review Process

The Nominating Committee recruits, evaluates, and recommends qualified candidates for open Director positions. Candidate biographies are submitted as part of the candidate process and published at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting.

Learn more: [Nominating Committee Candidate Recruitment and Review Process](#)

Voting

Members elect one Director for each open seat at the Annual Meeting by majority vote of members voting in person or by absentee ballot.

When authorized by the Board, absentee and virtual voting may be available. Instructions, deadlines, and voting procedures will be included in the Annual Meeting notice.

Nomination and Election Timeline

October

The Nominating Committee announces the number of Director positions expected to be open and the nomination process.

December

Candidate biographies and election information are published.

February

Directors are elected at the Annual Meeting.

Governing Authority

- [Bylaws Sections 7.5–7.9](#)
- [Nominating Committee Charter](#)
- [Nominating Committee Candidate Recruitment and Review Process](#)