



President/ANA Membership Assembly Representative

Candidate Qualifications (adopted by the TNA Nominating Committee September 2015)

- Served as a member of the TNA Board of Directors or major state-level committee, and/or
- As a president of a district nurses association, either TNA or other SNA.

General Criteria for all Candidates (adopted by the TNA Nominating Committee September 2015)

- Hold current membership in the Texas Nurses Association.
- Evidence participation at the ANA, SNA, or DNA levels by either elective office or appointment to committees, etc.
- Submit in timely manner "Consent to Nomination" form and "Biographical Data" form.
- Indicate ability to meet the demands and fulfill the duties inherent in the position.

Expectations of the Board (adopted by the TNA Board of Directors August 2015)

NOTE: The intent of this policy is that those individuals who choose to run for elective office, and are ultimately elected by members, are willing to serve as role models investing their talent as well as time and treasures to support the success of Texas Nurses Association. While the following expectations are the desired stewardship levels of board members, exceptions may be made in special circumstances

Board members are expected to participate in TNA as follows:

- Participate (sponsor self) in TNA major events including: Legacy Banquet or PAC fundraiser, Leadership Conference, and Nurse Day at the Capitol
- Recruit at least 5 members per year (or cause 5 members to be recruited)
- Serve as a liaison to a committee, program, or local constituency (as assigned by the President)
- "Write or Raise" \$500.00 per year to the PAC and \$500.00 per year to the Foundation (if personal circumstances permit).

Estimated Annual Time Commitment for Elective Positions

Responsibilities and duties of the various elective positions are spelled out in the TNA Bylaws. Listed here are identified duties with estimated yearly time commitments needed to accomplish them.

Estimated Annual Time Commitment: 15-20 days

- Quarterly board meetings (January, April, July, October) – held in Austin, 1-to-2 days each
- Interim TNA Board conference calls as needed
- Serve as the Vice President of the Texas Nurses Foundation – meetings held in conjunction with the TNA Board Meetings. Conference calls as needed
- Serve as the President of NACES Plus Foundation, Inc. – meetings held in conjunction with the TNA Board Meetings. Conference calls as needed.
- TNA Annual House of Delegates – held Friday/Saturday immediately following regular quarterly Board meeting

- ANA Annual Membership Assembly – 2-to-3 days
- District Visits – The President of TNA is often invited to present to the members of various TNA Districts, this interaction and visibility is important to the organization. The amount of time varies and is dependent upon the President’s availability
- Legislative Activities – the TNA President is often called upon to participate in coalitions, to testify on behalf of TNA, or to engage in other legislative related activities. The amount of time varies and is dependent upon the President’s availability.
- Liaison with other organizations – this varies from year-to-year and individuals have discretion regarding their participation.

BYLAWS HIGHLIGHTS – These bylaws are pointed out as they may impact a member’s decision to pursue elected office. A list of Bylaws pertinent to serving on the TNA Board of Directors follows.

Article VII: Officers and Duties of Officers

Section 3. President: The president shall preside at meetings of the TNA House, serve as chair of the TNA Board, serve as a nonvoting ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee, appoint special committees, countersign checks drawn by the treasurer as authorized by Board policy, and serve as representative to the ANA Membership Assembly as president.

ARTICLE IX: Nominations and Elections, Terms of Office and Vacancies

Section 3. Vacancies a. Absence from two consecutive regular quarterly meetings or two regular quarterly meetings within a TNA fiscal year shall constitute an automatic resignation. Failure to be in attendance for 50% or more of a meeting shall constitute an absence.

BYLAWS TEXAS NURSES ASSOCIATION As Amended April 2016

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ARTICLE VIII: BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD

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