Nominations for AATG Board of Directors

The AATG is currently seeking nominations for the 2021 election to fill four positions on the Board of Directors.

- A pre-collegiate (K-12) person from any region to serve as Vice-President in 2022–2023, as President in 2024–2025, and as Immediate Past President in 2026-27.

- A pre-collegiate (K-12) Representative from the Southeast Region. Chapters in the Southeast region: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia. The term of office for this position is 2022–2024.


- A pre-collegiate (K-12) person from any region to serve as Equity Officer, who will serve on the Executive Steering Committee and support the AATG’s commitment and strategy to be a diverse, anti-racist, equitable, and inclusive organization. The term of office for this position is 2022-2024.

The AATG Board of Directors is an elected, policy-making body. The efficient and effective working of the Board of Directors depends on the active participation and collaboration of all Board members. All candidates for office must be current members of the Association and for at least the two years prior to their nomination. Service on the Board of Directors is unpaid volunteer work. Board members make a commitment to spend considerable time and energy to serve the profession.

Members of the Board of Directors:
- Act as ambassadors and advocates for the AATG to both the association’s members and to external constituents
- Attend in-person and online meetings of the Board in their entirety including the meeting held in conjunction with the ACTFL Convention immediately following their election
- Serve on one or more standing and/or ad hoc committees as appointed by the President
- Attend committee meetings as required
- Assume special duties as assigned by the President
- Attend to association business in prompt and timely fashion
- Familiarize themselves with the AATG Constitution and By-Laws and association policies
- Review agenda materials thoroughly prior to meetings
- Discuss meeting agenda items as necessary with key leaders in their region prior to meetings
- Participate fully in discussions during meetings
- Respect the views held by other Board members
- Provide a written or oral report of meetings when appointed to represent the AATG
- Keep abreast of emerging professional issues and bring such issues to the attention of the President and Executive Director
In addition to serving as a member of the Board of Directors, the Vice-President:
- Serves a two-year term, followed by a two-year term as President, then a two-year term as Immediate Past President
- Serves as an officer of the association
- Serves as a member of the Steering Committee
- Represents the President upon any occasion at the President’s request
- Serves as Acting President in the event that the President is unable for any reason to fulfill the duties of the office or to continue in office

The President:
- Serves as an officer of the association
- Is responsible for the general conduct of the Association. At the President’s discretion, the Executive Director may be instructed to carry out any of the President’s administrative duties.
- Presides at all meetings of the Association, the Board of Directors, and the Steering Committee
- Appoints committees and their members to fulfill the aims and carry out the programs of the Association

The Immediate Past President:
- Serves a two-year term
- Serves as an officer of the association
- Serves as a member of the Steering Committee

In addition to serving as a member of the Board of Directors, Regional Representatives support the chapters in their region by:
- Promoting membership in the AATG
- Relaying information about available German teaching positions
- Attending local chapter events when possible
- Being a resource person for local chapters
- Working together with chapter presidents to send out regional updates/newsletters
- Having an updated list of members
- Encouraging and supporting inactive chapters to renew their chapters
- Having knowledge and resources for supporting schools who are in danger of losing their programs
- Acknowledging the positives in their region (individual members, programs, students, etc.)
- Being in contact with local colleges and promoting AATG to teacher candidates
- Working with chapters to showcase AATG membership benefits
- Being aware of all the AATG website has to offer

In addition to serving as a member of the Board of Directors, the Equity Officer will:
- Chair the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee
- Monitor the climate within the organization on DEI issues with an annual member survey that is shared with and discussed by the Board of Directors
- Articulate goals, with the help of the annual survey, for the near and long term in regard to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion issues
- Serve as a member of the AATG Bias Response Team and a point person for bias incident and/or harassment reporting
- Advise the AATG on ways to improve programs and services in consultation with the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion committee

AATG encourages self-nominations. To nominate yourself or another member, [complete the online nomination form](#) by April 30, 2021. Questions may be directed to committee chair John Sundquist at jsundqui@purdue.edu.