Update on the Election of NAQC's Board of Directors

Election Process and Nominees

This spring, NAQC will conduct its first election of the Board of Directors by the membership. This e-Bulletin contains information on the election process and the nominees standing for election in this milestone event.

Who is eligible to vote? All organizational members of NAQC are eligible to cast votes in board elections. A single designated representative for each organization will cast a vote on behalf of her/his organization. If you have an individual membership and would like to upgrade to an organizational membership, please contact NAQC at NAQC@naquitline.org.

When and how will the election take place? The election will take place from April 15-30, using an online voting tool called VOTENET. Each organizational representative will receive an email with a link to the votenet portal, a username and a password. All votes must be cast by April 30 at 5 p.m. ET.

Does the Board have terms and term limits? Board members are elected for a term of three-years and can be re-elected once.

What is the time commitment? Do Board members receive payment? The annual time commitment for board members includes four one-and-a-half day meetings (plus travel and preparation time) and approximately 30 hours of additional time for committee work. Board members receive no payment other than travel reimbursement.

How are officers elected? The Board members elect their officers each year at the June Board meeting.

How will NAQC notify the membership of election results? David Willoughby, Board Chair, will announce the election results at NAQC's Annual Conference on June 8-9. A formal communication will be sent via email to all members a few days after the conference.

What qualities does NAQC seek in Board members? Candidates for the board should possess senior leadership skills, be strategic thinkers and display professional and collegial demeanor. Board members do not represent their employer or any specific constituency, but instead work together to create a global vision for NAQC. In addition, the board seeks members who are committed to NAQC's mission and values,
and have expertise in some of the areas listed below:

- Governance of a not-for-profit organization
- Finance and sustainability
- Communications
- Tobacco control and cessation
- Quitline operation, research and/or advocacy
- Community organizing
- Populations at risk
- Public affairs
- Human resources

**How many positions are open on the Board?** Currently, NAQC has four positions open on the Board of Directors.

**How many nominees are standing for election?** There are six nominees for the four open positions. Each eligible voter will be asked to vote for up to four nominees.

**WHO ARE THE NOMINEES?**
NAQC is honored to have six exceptional nominees for this year’s election. Three are incumbent board members and three are new nominees. Detailed information on each candidate's experience, relationship to NAQC and vision for NAQC can be viewed by clicking on her/his name:

- Dr. Sharon Campbell
- Ms. Cynthia Hallett
- Dr. Corinne Husten
- Mr. Matt Madonna
- Dr. Tim McAfee
- Ms. Karla Sneegas

**How can I receive additional information about the election process?** For additional information or questions, please contact Penny Thomsen, Nomination Committee Chair, at board@naquitline.org or Linda Bailey, President and CEO, at lbailey@naquitline.org (or 602-279-2719).

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