



AWRA Regular Member Director for 2021–2023

Please complete and return one form per nominee with a one-page biography **by May 1, 2020.**

NOMINEE INFORMATION:

1. Name of Nominee (First, Last)	
2. Professional Title	
3. Employer	
4. Professor (yes or no)	
5. Degree(s) and name of college(s). Please include emphasis or majors.	
6. Chapter membership(s)	
7. Previous AWRA Service (yes or no)	
8. Section or Chapter leadership roles and activities (include the year and title, e.g. President 2010–2011)	
9. AWRA National activities (include the year and role, e.g. 2016 Annual Conference speaker)	
10. Please list other relevant professional activities, awards, and memberships.	
11. Other professional designations (CPA, CFA, etc.)	
12. Why do you recommend this person for consideration? How has this candidate demonstrated their interest and ability to serve on the Board?	
13. Have you shared with this person the expectations of board service, the required attendance at 2 in-person board meetings, and that travel and hotel expenses are not covered by AWRA?	

NOMINATING INFORMATION:

Nominator Name (First, Last)	
Professional Title	
Employer	
AWRA Section/Chapter/National Board responsibility (if applicable)	
Date submitted:	



Consideration for Board Service

A. What factors are considered in selecting AWRA Board of Director Nominees?

1. Nominees must be an AWRA member in good standing.
2. Nominees must be prepared to make a commitment to serve actively on the Board for the full term of years for which they are being nominated. (Candidates are occasionally needed to fill unexpired terms). This commitment includes costs, as Board members or their employers will bear the out-of-pocket expenses of serving on the Board in addition to the requirement to attend two in person meetings per year.
3. Nominees should currently be working in or have professional experience in the field of water resources management, development, protection, or related scientific professions.
4. Nominees should have evidence of a strong interest in and commitment to advancing the practice and recognition of the multidisciplinary approach to water resources. While no single or specific activity is required in fulfillment of this, such evidence may take the form of one or more of the following:
 - A. Volunteer service to AWRA:
 1. Section or chapter officer or director
 2. Program presenter at section, chapter or national level
 - a. Meetings, seminars, webinars, or conferences
 3. Committee member of national or regional Conference(s)
 4. Special project task force/committee participation
 5. Contribution of articles for AWRA publications
 - B. Relevant non-AWRA activities, achievements or volunteer service:
 1. Teaching course(s) in water resources or in relations to scientific study
 2. Demonstrated thought-leadership/publishing article(s) on water resource issues.
 3. Volunteer service to another organization in the scientific community
5. Nominees should be representative of one or more constituencies of the total membership of AWRA. The following are examples of the type of diversification sought in the nominating process:
 - A. Geographic distribution
 1. Regions of the U.S.
 2. AWRA Sections or Chapters
 3. Countries, regions outside the U.S.
 - B. Professional distribution
 - C. Special areas of expertise, degrees and credentials
 1. Strategic planning
 2. Financial analysis
 3. Marketing/communications

4. PhD, Masters, engineering, planning or other credentials

B. What are Board members expected to do?

1. Prepare for and attend Board meetings (includes related committee meetings, entire meetings of full Board and occasional related functions).
2. Serve actively on one or more committees, including periodic telephonic meetings.
3. Help, as needed, on special items (e.g., communications, meetings, contracts, etc.).
4. Provide strategic leadership for association in collaboration with AWRA staff.
5. Provide thought leadership for the water resources profession.
6. Consider serving as Chair of the Board (one-year commitment).

C. What do Board members need to understand about Board of Director Service?

1. Service on the AWRA Board of Directors is a critical leadership role for the association as the Directors have fiduciary responsibility for the organization and its future.
2. Because of the nature and volume of work to be done by the Board, and the limited number of volunteer Board members, it is important that each member carry an appropriate share of the load. If a Board member finds that circumstances will prevent him/her from full participation in Board affairs, it is expected that said Board member will contact the Chairman of the Board, explain the situation, and determine, with the Chairman's counsel, the advisability of resigning from the Board.
3. The Board normally holds two in-person meetings per year, as well as periodic conference call meetings. On a calendar basis, the in-person meetings have recently been on approximately the following timetable:
 - November, location is determined at the AWRA Annual Conference and is in conjunction with the Annual Conference
 - January, Board of Directors Retreat, location determined by Chair and AWRA StaffEfforts are made to choose a variety of locations in order to tie in with key AWRA events; to balance over time the distances any Board member must travel; and in consideration of cities that are relatively easily reached.
4. Board members, at a minimum, must attend the two in-person board of director meetings.
5. Board member out-of-pocket expenses include primarily the travel, lodging and meals expenses incurred in attending Board meetings. AWRA Board of Directors members receive no cash compensation for Board service or reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses. As a result of the schedules for most AWRA Board meetings, meals are often provided as part of the function(s).

D. How does one become a Board member?

Candidates for Board seats are nominated by the Board pursuant to being recommended by the Leadership Development and Recognition Committee. The Committee shall seek written recommendations and conduct deliberations that are designed to surface a significant number of potential candidates and shall review all such prospects and conduct whatever screening activities it shall deem necessary in order to present a final slate of well-qualified prospects to the full Board for its consideration. In order for an application to be considered by the committee, the nominator and candidate must adhere to the deadlines and criteria established in the application. Late and/or incomplete submissions may lead to disqualification of the candidate.

Sources of recommendations for candidates include association members, section or chapter leaders, members of the Board, and AWRA staff.

Nominees are expected to use good judgment and maintain pre-nomination professional relationships and interactions.

The Nominating Committee will present a slate of candidates to serve a 3-year term. A vote of members will be held in August according to the AWRA bylaws. The terms will begin at the January Board of Retreat. All members of AWRA are eligible to vote.