

Nominations for the RPNAO Board of Directors for 2010-2012



Dear RPNAO Member:

It is once again time to nominate members for the RPNAO Board of Directors to represent Districts 2, 4, 5 and 6 for a two-year term beginning April 2010. Please take a moment to think about the importance of supporting the association, while also having your say, by exercising your right to nominate your candidate(s) for the Board of Directors. Board members will be elected from the pool of nominees, through votes cast at the RPNAO annual general meeting (AGM) on April 29th, 2010.

Since our by-laws do not allow nominations from the floor at the AGM, the nomination form on page 6 is your only opportunity to put the name of your nominee or nominees before the RPNAO membership.

Please make sure you return your completed form by Jan. 15, 2010.

*Thank you,
Deborah Moroz, RPN; Chair, Nominations*

Responsibilities of a Board Member

Being a board member is both a challenging and an educational experience. Board members are responsible for governing the affairs of the association and providing leadership in meeting RPNAO's vision, mission and objectives.

Nominees Must:

- a) Be a current RPNAO member
- b) Sign the nomination form

Nominating a Candidate

To nominate someone for the RPNAO board, you must be a current RPNAO member and live in the same district as the nominee.

If you meet these requirements, please fill out the form and send it to the RPNAO office, along with a brief biography of the candidate. Please ensure that the nominee signs the form. *(You may also wish to include a photo of the nominee. Biographies will be published in the RPN Journal if an election is required.)*

You may nominate as many candidates as you wish within your district. To do so, copy the blank form first or create a reasonable facsimile.

The RPNAO office must receive the completed form, biography and optional photo by 4:30 p.m. on Jan. 15, 2010.

Notes to Nominees

Meeting Attendance Requirements:

Please consult with your employer about getting time off to attend board meetings. There are five meetings each year. One is usually in conjunction with the AGM, while the others are held either at the RPNAO office or by teleconference.

If elected, your term of office will be two years. All authorized expenses incurred for RPNAO business will be paid for by the association if your employer is unable to cover these costs.

Work on Committees:

You may be expected to chair a committee. The chair prepares reports and recommendations for board discussion.



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BYLAWS

A.3 – Election and Composition of the RPNAO Board of Directors

A.3.1

Directors shall be elected for a two-year term at an Annual General Meeting of the Association members. The manner of conducting the elections shall be according to the Board Guidelines – Election of Directors.

A.3.2 (a)

The Board of Directors shall be composed of eight (8) directors who shall represent the Association and shall control and administer the affairs of the Association, including its finances. Each of the directors, at the time of his/her election and throughout his/her term, shall be an Honorary Life, Regular or Senior member of the Association, and, in the case of a Senior member, shall for the period of his/her directorship, hold a current Certificate of Registration issued by the College of Nurses of Ontario as a Registered Practical Nurse. One of the directors of the Association shall be, ex officio, the President of the Association at the time of election. The remaining seven (7) directors of the Association shall be elected such that one member resides in each of the seven (7) electoral districts, namely:

RPNAO Districts

(composed by Postal Codes)

District 1 - Southwestern District

Elgin, Essex, Kent, Lambton, Middlesex, Oxford and Perth. (N4X, N4Z, N4S, N4T, N4V, N4G, N5s, N6s, N7s, N8s, N9s, NOJ, NOK, NOL, NOM, NON, NOP, NOR).

*** District 2 - Central Western District**

Huron, Brant, Bruce, Grey, Wellington and Dufferin, and the regional municipalities of Haldimand-Norfolk, Hamilton-Wentworth, Niagara and Waterloo (NOA, NOB, NOC, NOE, NOG, N1s, N2s, N3s, N4B, N4G, N4K, N4L, N4N, N4W, LON, LOR, LOS, L2s, L3B, L3C, L3M, L3K, L7C, L7E, L9V, L9W).

District 3 - Central Eastern District

Frontenac, Hastings, Lanark, Northumberland, Peterborough, Prince Edward, Victoria, The United counties of Leeds and Grenville, Lennox and Addington (LOA, L1A, KOE, KOH, KOK, KOL, KOM, K6T, K6V, K7G, K7L, K7K, K7M, K7N, K7P, K7R, K8N, K8P, K8R, K8V, K9A, K9V).

*** District 4 - Eastern District**

United counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, Prescott and Russell, the County of Renfrew and the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton, Lanark (KOC, KOG, KOA, KOB, KOJ, K1s, K2s, K4s, K7A, K7C, K7H, K7S, K7V, K6H, K6J, K6K, K8H, K8A, K8B).

*** District 5 - Northeastern District**

Territorial districts of Algoma, Cochrane, Manitoulin, Parry Sound, Nipissing, Sudbury and Timiskaming, and the district municipality of Muskoka, Haliburton (POA, POB, POC, POG, POE, POH, POP, POR, POK, PON, POM, POS, POJ, P1s, P2s, P3s, P4s, P5s, P6s).

*** District 6 - Northwestern District**

Territorial districts of Rainy River, Thunder Bay and Kenora (POL, POT, POW, POY, POV, POX, P7s, P8s, P9s).

District 7 - Central Toronto District

Municipality of metropolitan Toronto, the county

of Simcoe, Durham, and the regional municipalities of Halton, Peel, and York (LOC, LOB, LOG, LOH, LOJ, LOM, LOK, LOL, LOP, L1s, L4s, L3Z, L3X, L3Y, L3V, L6s, L7B, L7J, L7G, L7L, L7M, L7N, L7P, L7R, L7S, L7T, L8s, L9A, L9B, L9C, L9G, L9H, L9K, L9T, L9S, L9Y, L9M, L9N, L9P, L9L, M1s, M2s, M3s, M4s, M5s, M6s, M7s, M8s, M9s).

No directors shall be eligible for election for more than three (3) consecutive terms but this provision shall not apply to the President Elect.

A.3.2.(b)

The director(s) of the Association shall be removed if:

- such director(s) resign by notice in writing to the Association, ceases to be member(s) of the Association, has been absent, without being excused by the President, from two (2) consecutive meetings of the Board,
- is found to have committed an act of professional misconduct or to be incompetent by a panel of the College of Nurses' Discipline Committee; or,
- is found to be incapacitated by a panel of the College of Nurses Fitness to Practice Committee, or moves out of the district that she/he represents.

Vacancies on the Board, however caused, may, so long as a quorum of directors remains in office, be filled by the Board from members of the Association if they see fit to do so; otherwise such vacancies shall be filled at the next Annual General Meeting or special meeting of members.

Nomination Form:

RPNAO Board of Directors for 2010-2012 (for Districts 2, 4, 5 and 6) ~ Please Print ~

Nominee's Name _____

Address _____

Postal Code _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

RPNAO District _____ (Note: Only for Districts 2, 4, 5 and 6; see postal code listing in bylaws above)

RPNAO Reg # _____ College of Nurses # _____

E-mail address _____

Signature of Nominee

Nominator's Name _____

Address _____

Postal Code _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

RPNAO District _____ (Note: Only for Districts 2, 4, 5 and 6; see postal code listing in bylaws above)

RPNAO Reg # _____ College of Nurses # _____

E-mail address _____

Please mail to RPNAO, 5025 Orbitor Dr, Bldg 4, Suite 200, Mississauga, ON L4W 4Y5 or fax to 905-602-4666 by Jan. 15, 2010. If you have any questions, please contact Beth McCracken, Deputy Executive Director, by email at bmccracken@rpnao.org, or by phone at 905-602-4664/1-877-602-4664, ext. 227.

