Call for Candidates – 2020 - 2021 Slate

The SPR Nominating Committee calls for candidates for the following positions

- Second Vice President (who will ascend to the Presidency in 2024)
- Two members of the Board of Directors
- Treasurer-Elect (who will serve from 2020-2021, and then assume the Treasurer role from 2021-2024)
- One member of the SPR Research and Education Foundation Board

Deadline for submission of nomination is October 25, 2019.

The SPR Nominating Committee consists of six elected members and is chaired by the current Chairman of the SPR Board of Directors, Dr. Taylor Chung.

Nomination

To nominate a candidate (self-nomination welcome) complete the online submission form available here. For each nominee, you will be asked to provide rationale as to why the person(s) being recommended are suitable candidates. In the rationale, you may wish to indicate:

- Candidate’s prior Society service
- Candidate’s expertise applicable to position
- Candidate’s ability to represent the Society in all professional arenas to the Society’s benefit:
  - Corporate
  - Academic and Other Scientific/Professional associations

The Committee will consider these factors and those listed below in the development of the slate.

- Gender and diversity balance
- Geographic representation
- Practice-type representation

NEW UPDATES:

- Letters of recommendation are no longer required. The online submission form is the only requirement for submitting candidates for consideration.
- Each candidate will be required to submit a copy of their CV along with a 100 word or less statement of interest to include why they wish to serve and their experience.

Election

After Board review, the official slate will be distributed to the membership in January. The official ballot will be circulated to voting members in the spring. Staff will tally the ballots in the weeks preceding the SPR Annual Meeting and the election results will be announced at the Members’ Business Meeting.
SPR Nominating Committee – Candidate Qualifications

Basic Leadership responsibilities for the Officers and Board members are:

- Determining the Organization's mission and purpose.
- Selecting the management scheme.
- Supporting the management scheme and assessing its performance.
- Ensuring effective organizational planning.
- Ensuring adequate resources.
- Managing resources effectively.
- Determining and monitoring the Organization's programs and services.
- Enhancing the Organization’s public image.
- Ensuring legal and ethical integrity and maintaining accountability.
- Assessing the Board’s own performance.
- Attending/participating in Board meetings
- Questions to consider when nominating:
  - What gaps would this person fill in the current Board?
  - Would this person have time for the commitment required?
  - Is this person willing to share power and work constructively with the group?
  - Is there any reason this person should not be on the Board?

Legal Obligations of the Board: Board Members have three basic legal obligations:

- Duty of care--requires the exercise of care, diligence and skill that an ordinary, prudent person would exhibit under similar circumstances.
- Duty of loyalty--requires the pursuit of SPR’s best interests.
- Duty of obedience--requires actions in accordance with SPR’s rules and in furtherance of its goals as stated in the mission statement, articles of incorporation and bylaws.

Concluding Thoughts

Leaders should:

- Model the way - find their voice, set the example
- Inspire a shared vision - envision the future, enlist others
- Challenge the process - search for opportunities, take risks (within reason)
- Enable others to act - foster collaboration, strengthen others
- Encourage the heart - recognize contributions, celebrate success

Nominating Committee members are not eligible to be candidates for positions on the slate. To view the Nominating Committee roster, click here.