Call for Candidates – 2021 - 2022 Slate
The SPR Nominating Committee calls for candidates for the following positions:

- **Second Vice President** (The elected member will ascend to the President role and preside over the 2025 annual meeting.)
- **Two members of the SPR Board of Directors**
- **Secretary-Elect** (The elected member will serve from 2021-2022, and then assume the Secretary role from 2022-2025 for both the SPR and the SPR Research and Education Foundation.)
- **One member of the SPR Research and Education Foundation Board**

**Deadline for submission of nomination is Monday, October 19, 2020.**

**Nomination**
To nominate a candidate (self-nominations are welcome) complete the online submission form available here. For each nominee, you will be asked to provide rationale as to why the persons being recommended are suitable candidates. In the rationale, you must indicate, as applicable, the following:

- 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 Nominating Committee will consider the aforementioned factors and those listed below in the development of the slate.

- Gender and diversity balance
- Geographic representation (to include the candidate’s home institution)
- Practice-type representation

**IMPORTANT UPDATES:**

- Letters of recommendation are no longer required. The online submission form is the only requirement for submitting candidates for consideration.
- Please do NOT nominate someone who has not confirmed interest in serving in the role(s) for which you are recommending them.
- Each candidate will be required to provide salient information from their CV that pertains to the position in which they are being considered. For those who are self-nominating, be prepared to submit this document via the online submission form.

**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 IPR 2021 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.

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. An officer or director will be required to disclose possible conflicts.
- 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.

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?

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.