

ACM Board of Directors Nominations and Elections Procedures

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About the ACM Board of Directors

As articulated in the Association's bylaws, the ACM Board of Directors is composed of seventeen (17) to twenty (20) senior staff members from current ACM museum members in good standing. The ACM Board of Directors serves as the overall governance body of the association, and is composed of an Executive Committee of officers and At-Large members.

ACM strives to achieve a balanced representation on the board with respect to institutional, geographic, and personal diversity.

Board Terms (New February 2016)

ACM Board Member terms align with the association's fiscal year, beginning October 1 and ending September 30. In February 2016, the ACM Board of Directors approved a change to board terms to improve continuity and equalize leadership opportunities for board members.

- ✓ At-Large members serve staggered, three-year terms. At-Large members can serve no more than two consecutive three-year terms, unless elected to an officer position.
- ✓ Officers serve two-year terms, and cannot serve more than two consecutive terms unless elected as President. If an individual is elected President, they are eligible to serve two additional terms (President, followed by Past President).

Nominations

Nominations for board service are collected in three ways:

- ✓ Through submission of nominations from the ACM membership during the election process
- ✓ Through recommendations from the current board of directors
- ✓ Year-round through direct communication with the ACM Executive Director

During each elections cycle the ACM Nominating Committee, composed of at least three ACM board members and at least one non-board member, considers all nominees collected through the mechanisms identified above to develop the slate of nominees.

Officers are selected via internal nominations from the entire board, and finalized by the ACM Nominating Committee.

Elections

Elections take place annually, as dictated by the end of terms. Candidates are presented as a slate, as developed by the ACM Nominating Committee and approved by the ACM Board of Directors. The slate is presented to the general membership at the ACM annual conference, and the ballot is sent out electronically to one representative at each member institution immediately following the conference. Voting is open for 30 days after mailing of the ballot. Results are announced to the membership no later than 30 days after the close of voting.