



2017 Board of Directors Election

Position Descriptions

Guidance on the roles and responsibilities and key interests and capabilities for the 2017-2018 open positions are provided by the Board of Directors based on the Board's analysis of current projects, including ongoing Board positions and mission-related initiatives.

President–Elect

Roles and Responsibilities for the position:

During their three-year term, the President-Elect serves for one year in that role (2017-2018), then for one year as President (2018-2019), followed by one year as Past President (2019-2020).

Over the course of their three-year term, the President attends Board Meetings, Council Meetings, Management Team Meetings, Section and Region Meetings, as well as meetings beyond the AAA when asked to do so. They also serve as Board of Director Liaison on various Committees and present at several assigned AAA meetings each year.

The President-Elect is a key member of the AAA's leadership team, playing a major role in supporting ongoing strategic initiatives and further developing the AAA's strategy. Specifically, the President-Elect participates on the Board of Directors and as a leader and member of the Management Team. The President-Elect also serves on the Finance Committee, and as an *ex-officio* member of the Governance Committee.

Once President, responsibilities focus on leading the Management Team's discussions of the strategic direction of the Association. The President chairs the Board of Directors and presides at the Annual Business Meeting of the Association. Except for committee members appointed by the Council and previously appointed to terms that have not yet expired, the President and Management Team have authority to appoint members to committees and task forces, and to remove members of committees and task forces (as described in the AAA Bylaws).

Past Presidents serve on the Management Team, the Nominations Committee, and the Finance Committee, among other roles - continuing to sustain strategic initiatives of the Association and provide continuity and cohesion among the Board of Directors.

Guidance from the Board of Directors on key interests and capabilities for the position:

- Candidates should embrace the American Accounting Association's vision to be Thought Leaders in Accounting that was established in 2007 and reviewed and reconfirmed by the 2012-2014 Sharpening Our Vision Task Force. The President-Elect position will continue implementation of the next strategic steps of this vision to expand its reach to serve society, the creation of four interrelated centers: The Center for Advancing Accounting Education, Research, Practice, and in the Public Interest.
- Candidates should have an interest in focusing on the needs of members who may currently be under-engaged (e.g. Professionally Oriented Faculty, Global Scholars, Two-Year Faculty, and Doctoral Students).
- The President-Elect should have enthusiasm in continuing to focus on understanding and engaging our communities, enhancing our core operations and expanding our offerings to members. A global mindset and appreciation for and connections with colleagues in practice is important.
- Given the need to hit the ground running, broad previous AAA leadership experience, effective presentation skills, strong interest and experience in accounting scholarship and teaching, global perspectives, and successful experience with planning and implementation are highly desirable characteristics.
- Candidates for this Board position will be placed on the ballot by the AAA Nominations Committee.

Vice President-Finance-Elect

Roles and Responsibilities for the position:

During their three-year term, the Vice President-Finance-Elect serves for one year in that role (2017-2018), then for two years as Vice President-Finance (2018-2020).

Over the course of their three-year term, the Vice President-Finance attends Board Meetings, Council Meetings, and Management Team Meetings. They serve on the Audit Committee and as Board of Director Liaison on various Committees.

The Vice President-Finance-Elect participates on the Board of Directors, serves as a member of the standing Finance Committee and performs other duties as assigned by the Vice President-Finance.

The Vice President-Finance participates on the Board of Directors, chairs the standing Finance Committee and is responsible for oversight of the financial management of the Association, under the general direction of the Board of Directors.

The Vice President-Finance assists the Executive Director, AAA Professional Staff, and President-Elect in preparing the budget outlining the financial resources and requirements for the next fiscal year. The Vice President-Finance reports annually to the membership on the financial affairs of the Association.

Guidance from the Board on key interests and capabilities for the position:

- Candidates should embrace the American Accounting Association's vision to be Thought Leaders in Accounting that was established in 2007 and reviewed and reconfirmed by the 2012-2014 Sharpening Our Vision Task Force. The Vice President-Finance-Elect position will continue implementation of the next strategic steps of this vision to expand its reach to serve society, the creation of four interrelated centers: The Center for Advancing Accounting Education, Research, Practice, and in the Public Interest.
- Candidates for this Board position will be placed on the ballot by the AAA Nominations Committee.

Vice President-Education

Roles and Responsibilities for the position:

The Vice President-Education participates on the Board of Directors and is, in tandem with the Education Committee (a standing committee of the AAA), responsible for advising the Board and AAA Professional Staff on projects and issues focusing on accounting education.

The Vice President-Education chairs the Education Committee, works closely with the Center for Advancing Accounting Education, serves as Board of Director Liaison on various Committees, and responds as appropriate to the educational efforts of outside constituents, both national and international.

The Vice President-Education makes recommendations to the Board as appropriate, and responds on an as-needed basis to address educational issues presented by the President, Board, Executive Director, or the leadership of Sections and Regions.

The Vice President-Education serves a three-year term (2017-2020).

Guidance from the Board on key interests and capabilities for the position:

- Candidates should embrace the American Accounting Association's vision to be Thought Leaders in Accounting that was established in 2007 and reviewed and reconfirmed by the 2012-2014 Sharpening Our Vision Task Force. The Vice President-Education position will continue implementation of the next strategic steps of this vision to expand its reach to serve society, the creation of four interrelated centers: The Center for Advancing Accounting Education, Research, Practice and in the Public Interest.
- Candidates should have an interest in focusing on the needs of members who may currently be under-engaged (e.g. Professionally Oriented Faculty, Global Scholars, Two-Year Faculty, and Doctoral Students).
- The AAA values its relationships with other accounting associations (e.g., IMA, Beta Alpha Psi, ...). Candidates for the position of Vice President-Education should therefore be willing to serve as an active liaison with Beta Alpha Psi, the AICPA Pre-Certification Education Executive Committee, and other outside committees and associations, as determined through consultations with the Board.
- Candidates for this Board position will be placed on the ballot by the AAA Nominations Committee.

Director – Focusing on International

Roles and Responsibilities for the position:

The Director–Focusing on International participates on the Board of Directors, and is responsible for assisting the Board in identifying ways that the AAA can enhance its global thought leadership in accounting.

Over the course of their three-year term, the Director-Focusing on International attends Board meetings and Council Meetings.

This Director will interact with leaders of accounting academic organizations in order to: discuss matters of mutual interest (such as exploring global implications of education trends); conduct appropriate research and engage in new idea development; and explore mutually beneficial opportunities for cooperation.

The Director–Focusing on International will pursue ways to better serve and involve its non-U.S. members, encourage Sections of the AAA to enhance global engagement and perspectives, and interact with national and international accounting bodies.

This Director will collaborate with the Director–Focusing on Membership to support initiatives focused on expanding non-U.S. member access to services and membership from faculty outside the U.S.

This Director will host the Global Gathering held each year in conjunction with the AAA Annual Meeting. In addition, the Director will participate in discussions related to global gatherings during the year, and identify opportunities for members to gain exposure to global issues and perspectives.

Candidates for this position will also serve as Chair of the Global Engagement Committee and as Board of Director Liaison on various Committees.

The Director–Focusing on International serves a three-year term (2017–2020).

Guidance from the Board on key interests and capabilities for the position:

- Candidates should embrace the American Accounting Association's vision to be Thought Leaders in Accounting that was established in 2007 and reviewed and reconfirmed by the 2012-2014 Sharpening Our Vision Task Force. The Director–Focusing on International position will continue implementation of the next strategic steps of this vision to expand its reach to serve society, the creation of four interrelated centers: The Center for Advancing Accounting Education, Research, Practice, and in the Public Interest.
- Candidates should have an interest in exploring ways to expand the AAA Community, particularly with regard to under-engaged communities (e.g. Professionally Oriented Faculty, Global Scholars, Two-Year Faculty, and Doctoral Students).
- As the number of international members within the AAA continues to grow, it is important that this Director assists the AAA in strengthening its global thought leadership and in recognizing and supporting perspectives of all of its members—both U.S. and non-U.S. members.
- Candidates should have professional connections with a range of international universities and/or organizations, and should have significant international exposure and recognition.
- Candidates for this Board position will be placed on the ballot by the AAA Nominations Committee.

Director – Focusing on Membership

Roles and Responsibilities for the position:

This Director–Focusing on Membership participates on the Board of Directors and is, in tandem with the Membership Advisory Committee (MAC), responsible for advising the Board on membership-related issues for all current and potential members of the Association, and will work closely with AAA Professional Staff to assist with current membership initiatives and to identify future membership initiatives.

Over the course of their three-year term, the Director–Focusing on Membership attends Board and Council Meetings, is the liaison between the Board and the MAC and serves as Board of Director Liaison on various Committees.

The Director–Focusing on Membership will collaborate with the Director–Focusing on International to support initiatives focused on expanding non-U.S. member access to services and membership from faculty outside the U.S.

The Director–Focusing on Membership serves a three-year term (2017–2020).

Guidance from the Board on key interests and capabilities for the position:

- Candidates should embrace the American Accounting Association's vision to be Thought Leaders in Accounting that was established in 2007 and reviewed and reconfirmed by the 2012-2014 Sharpening Our Vision Task Force. The Director–Focusing on Membership position will continue implementation of the next strategic steps of this vision to expand its reach to serve society, the creation of four interrelated centers: The Center for Advancing Accounting Education, Research, Practice, and in the Public Interest.
- Candidates should have an interest in exploring ways to expand the AAA Community, particularly with regard to under-engaged communities (e.g. Professionally Oriented Faculty, Global Scholars, Two-Year Faculty, and Doctoral Students).
- Candidates for this position should be enthusiastic about developing and leading initiatives related to an expansive set of opportunities to support the accounting academy and have an appreciation for the range of services the AAA provides to add value for its members.
- Candidates for this Board position will be placed on the ballot by the Council Ballot Committee.