President's Letter

March 28, 2016

Annual Call for Nominations - NLMA Board of Directors

Dear Colleagues:

Five NLMA Board members will complete their terms on the Board following the AGM in June. Nominations are now being accepted for the positions of President-Elect, two (2) rural At-Large Directors and two (2) urban At-Large Directors. All eligible members are invited to submit expressions of interest for these positions. The deadline for nominations is **5 p.m. on Monday, April 11**.

Eligibility

Eligible candidates must:

- · be a practicing NLMA member in good standing with the NLMA and CPSNL;
- · provide a written statement outlining their reasons for joining the Board;
- submit a copy of their CV to the Nominating Committee; and,
- commit to annually attend approximately five rotating Board meetings at sites around the province as well as related committee meetings (by teleconference or in person) during their term.

The NLMA Nominating Committee will verify in a report to the Board of Directors whether or not nominees meet the criteria for standing in an election process.

Openings

One (1) President-Elect Two (2) Directors At-Large (rural) Two (2) Directors At-Large (urban)

At-Large Directors

The election of four At-Large Directors, two rural and two urban, is required to fill the vacancies of those members who will complete their terms in June. As per the NLMA By-laws, terms of office for newly elected At-Large Directors is three years. Rather than represent a specific specialty, payment modality or geographic region, At-Large Directors are driven by the interests of the entire NLMA membership. To ensure equal distribution of the six At-Large Directors on the Board, no more than three (3) members from the St. John's metro region (St. John's, Mount Pearl, Paradise, CBS and the Northeast Avalon) serve on the Board at any given time. Past Board members are permitted to submit their names for nomination for as long as they have been off the Board for at least one year.

President-Elect

The successful candidate will agree to serve a three-year term on the NLMA Board of Directors to fulfill the executive positions of President-Elect, President and Past-President. This position is exempt from geographical considerations. Past and current Board members are permitted to submit their names for nomination

Nomination Process

Please e-mail or fax your CV and statement of interest outlining your decision to join the NLMA Board of Directors to the Nominating Committee, c/o Lynn Barter, NLMA Associate Executive Director:

- Email: Ibarter@nlma.nl.ca
- Fax: (709) 726-7525

Election Process

If more than two rural, two urban and one President-elect nominations are received, the NLMA will hold a general election via online secret ballot. If only two rural candidates, two urban candidates and one President-elect candidate comes forward, those candidates will be declared elected by acclamation. In the absence of any nominations/candidates, vacancies will be filled by recruitment, in keeping with the principle of equity.

Regards

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