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MEMORANDUM

TO: ACWA Member Agencies
Board Presidents and General Managers

CC: ACWA Board of Directors

FROM: ACWA Nominating Committee

DATE: June 7, 2013

SUBJECT: Call for Candidate Nominations

ACWA's Nominating Committee is responsible for submitting a slate for the Association's statewide positions of President and Vice President to the general membership meeting at Fall Conference.

Nominations must be received in the ACWA office by **Tuesday, September 3, 2013**, to be considered by the committee. Candidate interviews are slated for **Wednesday, September 18**.

The following criteria must be met for names to be considered:

- Only elected or appointed member of the governing body or commission (as appropriate) of a member agency of the Association shall be eligible for election to the officer positions.
- Nominations of qualified candidates are encouraged from all member agencies.
- All nominations for the positions of ACWA President and Vice President shall be accompanied by a resolution of support from the ACWA member agency on whose board the nominee serves. Said resolution shall be signed by an authorized signatory of the member agency's Board of Directors.
- A resume of the candidate, highlighting qualifications for the position, shall accompany each nomination.

It is not necessary to have additional letters or resolutions of support from other agencies, but the Nominating Committee will review all materials received.

ACWA's Bylaws and Board policies establish the criteria outlined above, which also govern nominations from the floor. Board policy reads, "All nominations received for the positions of ACWA President and Vice President shall be accompanied by a resolution of support from the

ACWA member agency on whose board the nominee serves, and signed by an authorized signatory of the Board of Directors. This policy applies to nominations received in the ACWA office prior to elections, as well as to all nominations received from the floor at general session during the floor nomination process” (Policy O.3.a.).

We appreciate your interest and participation in this process to find the best qualified individuals to serve in representing the statewide membership of ACWA. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Nominating Committee members include:

- Paul Kelley, Region 1
- Thad Bettner, Region 2
- Joe Parker, Region 3
- Mike Hardesty, Region 4
- David Hodgins, Region 5
- William Diedrich, Region 6
- J. Paul Hendrix, Region 7
- Stephen Cole, Region 8
- Martha Davis, Region 9
- Linda Ackerman, Region 10

We ask that candidates not approach Nominating Committee members directly to solicit their support, but it is acceptable for candidates to interact with the regions, committees, and ACWA members.

Should you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Clerk of the Board Donna Pangborn at the ACWA office at 916-441-4545 or donnap@acwa.com

Enclosures:

1. Basic Information for ACWA Officer Nominees
2. Sample Resolution to Nominate Candidate for ACWA President or Vice President

PRESIDENT

- Must be an elected or appointed member of the governing body or commission (as appropriate) of a member agency of the Association
- Term of office begins January 1 following election
- Term of office—2 years
- Willingness and ability to represent ACWA at a variety of functions / events, including visits to member agencies for ceremonies, events, and retention efforts
- President unable to succeed him / herself in that office
- Serves on the ACWA Board and presides at all Board meetings—approximately six per year
- May call special Board meetings with proper notification
- Serves on Executive Committee and presides at meetings—approximately six in-person meetings and additional teleconference meetings as needed
- Presides over all general membership meetings—potentially two per year
- Appoints members of all committees, including the chair and vice chair of each, upon recommendation from members and regions (as communicated by the region chairs), with each such committee chair and vice chair ratified by the Board of Directors
- Appoints task forces and work groups as needed, consistent with and supportive of the mission of the Association
- Non-voting ex officio member of all committees, except Nominating Committee or region boards
- Agrees to support ACWA positions on issues of importance to the statewide membership
- Determines with vice president how to handle attendance at region functions
- Expenses for official ACWA functions are paid by ACWA; spouse registration and meals are also covered for official ACWA functions
- Receives weekly packets from ACWA
- Business cards are provided by ACWA if desired
- Time commitment between Board meetings and events limited to weekly conference calls with the Executive Director and other Board officers regarding Association matters

VICE PRESIDENT

- Must be an elected or appointed member of the governing body or commission (as appropriate) of a member agency of the Association
- Term of office begins January 1 following election
- Term of office—2 years
- Willingness and ability to represent ACWA at a variety of functions / events
- Assumes all duties in absence of president
- Succeeds president for an unexpired term if vacancy occurs
- Serves on the ACWA Board and presides over Board meetings in the absence of the President
- Serves on the ACWA Executive Committee
- Serves as chair / vice chair of task forces / work groups as requested by the President
- Agrees to support ACWA position on issues of importance to the statewide membership
- Determines with president how to handle attendance at region functions
- Budget is provided to cover expenses for official ACWA functions; spouse registration and meals are also covered for official ACWA functions
- Receives weekly packets from ACWA
- Business cards are provided by ACWA if desired
- Time commitment between Board meetings and events limited to weekly conference calls with the Executive Director and other Board officers regarding Association matters
- ACWA / JPIA
 - Serves on ACWA / JPIA's Executive Committee—meets approximately 10 times a year
 - Attends ACWA / JPIA Board meetings—meets two times a year
 - ACWA / JPIA pays related expenses to attend their meetings



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SAMPLE RESOLUTION TO NOMINATE CANDIDATE FOR ACWA PRESIDENT OR VICE PRESIDENT

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF

TO NOMINATE AND SUPPORT

AS A CANDIDATE FOR THE POSITION OF ACWA _____

WHEREAS, ACWA has announced that a Nominating Committee has been formed to develop a slate for the Association's statewide positions of President and Vice President; and

WHEREAS, the individual who fills an officer position will need to have a working knowledge of water industry issues and concerns, possess strength of character and leadership capabilities, and be experienced in matters related to the performance of the duties of the office; and

WHEREAS, this person must be able to provide the dedication of time and energy to effectively serve in this capacity; and

WHEREAS, _____ has served in a leadership role as a member of the _____ Board of Directors since _____; and

WHEREAS, (list positions held to demonstrate knowledge of water and leadership)

WHEREAS,

WHEREAS,

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the _____ Board of Directors that _____ possesses all of the qualities needed to fulfill the duties of the office of ACWA _____.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the _____ Board of Directors does hereby nominate and support _____ as a candidate for the office of ACWA _____, pledging the District's support of his/her endeavors in fulfilling the duties of this office if elected.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the _____ Board of Directors at a regular meeting of said Board held on the _____ day of _____, 2013, by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors

Noes: Directors

Absent: Directors