Call for Nominations for SDB 2020 Elections

Society for Developmental Biology members in good standing are invited to submit nominations for candidates for the following positions on the SDB Board of Directors (BOD): President-elect, Treasurer, Primarily Undergraduate Institution Representative, Trainee Representative, and Representatives for Northeast, Southwest and Midwest regions. The election will be held in May.

Description of Positions

President-elect - The President-elect will serve on the BOD for a 3-year term, will become President after the 2021 Annual Meeting, and Past-President for the year following the 2022 Annual Meeting. They will be responsible for organizing the SDB 2022 Annual Meeting. Candidates are full members.

Treasurer - The Treasurer will serve on the BOD for a 3-year term and shall prepare the annual budget and financial reports, one being the end-of-year report to be presented at the Board meetings for approval by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the financial affairs of the Society. Candidates are full members.

Primarily Undergraduate Institution (PUI) Representative - The PUI representative must hold a faculty position at a PUI institution and will serve a 3-year term.

Trainee Representative - The Trainee Representative will serve a 2-year term, and (1) must be in their 2nd year (or beyond) of pre-doctoral or post-doctoral training, with at least 2 years of training remaining, (2) must have published at least one paper in the developmental biology field, and (3) must have at least one full year of SDB membership.

Regional Representatives - They are full members who serve a 3-year term on the BOD, and participate in discussions and deliberations of Society affairs, taking into consideration the constituency they represent. They also provide guidance and assistance to their respective regional meeting organizers and attend the regional meeting in their area. Northeast (CT, ME, MA, NH, NY, RI, VT), Southwest (AZ, CO, LA, NM, NV, OK, TX, UT, Mexico) and Midwest (IA, IL, IN, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, OH, WI) are the regions open for election of new representatives.


Nomination Process

Only SDB members in good standing (current year dues paid) are eligible for positions on the SDB Board of Directors. Please see position descriptions for requirements.

Nominations will be accepted from:

- Two (2) or more SDB members in good standing (2020 dues paid) as nominators, with respective names and email addresses. Nominators for trainee representative must be full members.
- Self-nominations from SDB members in good standing.
Nominations must contain the following:

1) Affiliations and contact information of the nominee.
2) A statement that briefly describes the reasons for nominating this person for the position (300-word maximum).
3) An updated CV of the nominee.
4) Written agreement by the nominee that they are willing to serve if elected. The nominee must be a full member in good standing and be minimally at the assistant professor level (unless nomination is for trainee representative).
5) Trainee nominations must also include:
   a) A brief statement from the nominee on their interest and goals if elected to the BOD (<100 words)
   b) A letter from their supervisor/mentor supporting the nomination (unless supervisor is a nominator).

Nominations must be made online at: https://form.jotform.com/200403265821141

Deadline for receipt of nominations: March 16, 2020 11:59 PM ET

All nominations will be reviewed by the Nominating Committee and at least two qualified candidates for each opening will be invited to be on the final slate for electronic vote in May 2020.

All terms (except for Trainee) are three (3) years, starting immediately after the 2020 Annual Meeting and will end after the 2023 Annual Meeting. The President-elect will take office as President and Past-President in the second and third years.