

Board of Directors - Overview for Candidates

Composition- Board of Directors consists of 7 voting members (4 elected Officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer and 3 elected Board Members), plus 4 elected, non-voting Alternate Board Members, all of whom shall be Acupuncture Physicians (AP)

The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice- President, Secretary and Treasurer.

All members of the Board of Directors shall have Florida as their primary place of residence.

Authority and Responsibilities – The Board of Directors shall be responsible for all matters pertaining to the FSOMA, except those specifically stated otherwise in the By-Laws, Articles of Incorporation and the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.

Qualification for Office-

President - A candidate for the Office of President shall be an active AP, DOM in good standing in the FSOMA and shall have served at least 1 year as a member of the Board of Directors.

Other Board Positions- A candidate for election to the FSOMA Board of Directors shall be an active AP, DOM member in good standing with the FSOMA

Terms of Office-

Officer -Each Officer shall serve a term of 2 years or until a duly qualified successor is elected.

Director – Each Board Director shall serve a term of 3 years or until a duly qualified successor is elected

Alternate Board Member – An Alternate Board Member shall serve a 3 year term unless the Alternate has filled a position on the Board of Directors. The Alternate will then serve the remainder of the elected Directors term or until the next regular election.

Compensation- Members of the Board of Directors shall not receive any manner of compensation or salary for their services, but, by resolution of the Board, may receive reimbursement for certain authorized expenses associated with the performance of their duties as officers or directors of the FSOMA

Removal from Office- Any officer, Board Director, or Alternate Board Member who misses two consecutive Board meetings or who breaches his or her responsibility to the FSOMA may be removed from office by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors.

Meetings of the Board of Directors – The Board of Directors will meet at least 4 times yearly

Conflict of Interest – No Officer or Director may vote or act independently on any matter in which that member has a personal or financial conflict of interest.

Duties of Officers and Directors - The elected Directors shall perform those duties and responsibilities normally performed by the director of a corporation and such other duties as are delegated to the individual Directors by the President of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors will direct the editing and publishing of the FSOMA periodical, host Annual General Meetings, attend Board Meetings and Special Board Meetings (if called), serve on a Standing and/or Special Committee, which are as follows: Executive, Membership, Publication, Legislative, Continuing Education, Ethics, Nominating, Annual Convention, By-laws, Fundraising, Acupuncture Education Day, Public Relations, Internal Medicine, Website, Insurance. (Refer to By-Laws “ARTICLE VIII Duties of Officers and Directors” for additional information.)