



To: All Member Organizations
From: Sport Alliance Nominating Committee
Date: June 14, 2011
Re: Call for Nominations

The Sport Alliance of Ontario (SAO) is a member-based organization representing various sectors of amateur sport in Ontario, including provincial and multi sport organizations, and other sport and recreation authorities. Our vision is to be the pre-eminent leader in sport system development.

The SAO's programs and services include: the Ontario Games Program (inclusive of the Ontario Summer and Winter Games, the Ontario Senior Games, and the Ontario Paralympics Championships); management of Team Ontario at the Canada Summer and Winter Games; the Ontario Sport Awards; Sport First Aid; KidSport Ontario; the operation of the office complex that houses Ontario's provincial sport and recreation organizations; and the provision of ancillary services to support our member organizations.

The Nominating Committee for the Sport Alliance of Ontario (SAO) is issuing a call for nominations to the SAO Board of Directors. The SAO is a full membership-based organization with voting rights for all registered members, and any member organization with a vote is entitled to nominate a person to sit on the Board. The SAO is moving forward in a positive and united direction, and we welcome your organization's participation in this important process.

We would like to draw your attention to the following process for the nomination and election of your new Board of Directors:

- The first deadline for submission of nominations is July 22nd.
- The second deadline for nominations is August 5th.
- By August 13th, the Nominating Committee will distribute to the membership a list of all properly nominated candidates and their profiles.
- The final deadline for nominations is August 26th.
- By September 6th, the Nominating Committee will distribute to the membership a final list of all properly nominated candidates and their profiles.
- Elections will take place at the Annual General Meeting on September 20th.

- Nominations from the floor will only be permitted if there is not a complete slate of at least five candidates.
- All properly nominated candidates will have their name included on the slate.
- The Nominating Committee will be proactive in helping find qualified individuals for the Board.

Under the governance structure, there are ten elected positions on the Board. The by-laws direct that there be five directors elected in even years, and five elected in odd years. There are currently five directors serving a two year term and who will continue as a director this year. There are five positions to be elected in 2011. The officers of the organization (chair, vice-chair, secretary, treasurer) are elected by the Board once it is formed.

In order to nominate an individual for the Board of Directors, please complete the attached nomination form and nominee profile by the deadlines indicated above. If you would like to nominate someone, please ensure your organization is a registered member of the SAO. Again, the first deadline for nominations is July 22nd.

Finally, we have attached a list of the skills and experiences we require for the Board of Directors. Refer to this when considering candidates for nomination.

Please contact Cheryl Finn at 519-661-6155 or at cfinn@londontourism.ca if you have any questions or Jennifer Joseph (416) 426-7073 jjoseph@sportalliance.com.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely

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Nominations Chair