

WSCADV BOARD MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES

ELIGIBILITY

No less than 51% of the board are from member programs. The applicant must be a current volunteer, employee, or board member of a WSCADV member program. A letter of endorsement from the member program must accompany the application, indicating that the applicant is an active participant in the agency and has the endorsement of the program to put considerable time and energy into serving on the WSCADV board.

No more than 49% of the board are associates. The applicant may be either unaffiliated organizationally or from a WSCADV organizational associate member. Unaffiliated individuals are required to become individual associate members of WSCADV.

The nominating committee will verify the qualifications of each applicant. The nominating committee is charged with developing a list of candidates that reflects the diversity of Washington State and the inclusion of survivors of gender-based violence. The nominating committee will present these candidates at the WSCADV annual membership meeting.

COMMITMENT

The board commitment consists of the following:

- A two-year term.
- Participation at one board meeting every other month. Board meetings are generally held as follows: January (2-days, in-person, SeaTac), March (1-day, remotely), May (2-days, in-person, SeaTac), July (1-day, in-person plus Refuse to Abuse 5K staffing, Seattle), September (1-day plus annual conference, varies), and November (2-days, in-person, SeaTac).
- Active participation on a board committee. Committees usually meet during board meetings. Much committee work is done by telephone and email or is assigned as "homework". Committees are:
 - Executive/Personnel
 - Nomination
 - Resource Development
 - Finance
 - Ad Hoc Committees (as assigned by the Board)
- Financial contribution to WSCADV in an amount significant to the Board member. The Board strives for 100% giving.

BOARD ORIENTATION, TRAVEL AND MEAL EXPENSES REIMBURSEMENT

WSCADV will provide an orientation to board roles and responsibilities, current policies and procedures, finances, communications, and decision-making processes. Mileage reimbursement and air travel, as well as meals and overnight accommodations for board meetings are paid for by the Coalition. Individual board members and/or their member programs are strongly encouraged to support board membership by covering expenses to the greatest extent possible.