Call for Board Applications

The Nominations Committee is conducting the Call for Applications for open positions on the SOMA Board of Directors for the 2021-2023 election slate. The positions that will be elected by the membership in 2021 are: Civilian Vice President and two Board member-at-large positions. The individuals elected for the offices will each serve a two-year term.

The criteria for the open positions are listed below. The ability to offer more than one candidate for each office is dependent upon receiving a sufficient number of applications for each office from the membership.

We strongly encourage you to complete the electronic submission form for yourself. If you are aware of other current SOMA members that qualify for one of these positions, please encourage them to submit an application. All applications MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020, to be considered for the slate of candidates.

Applications should be submitted electronically to SOMA’s Executive Office through the link located on the SOMA website. Applicants will receive an e-mail acknowledgement of receipt of the Board application form within two (2) business days of receipt. If such acknowledgement is not received within that time frame, please contact the SOMA Executive Office at (913) 222-8659. The slate of candidates will be compiled by the Nominations Committee and reviewed by the Board of Directors. Candidates that are elected by the membership will be required to adhere to SOMA’s Code of Ethics and sign a Conflict of Interest disclosure annually. The Code of Ethics may be obtained by contacting the SOMA Executive Office at SOMA@kellencompany.com

Candidate Criteria and Position Descriptions
The affairs of the Association are governed, supervised, and controlled by the Board of Directors. The authority delegated to the Board requires that it set policies and make relevant decisions on behalf of the Association’s membership; therefore, Board Members should be the most knowledgeable about the activities and needs of the Association's members. The Board's duties include:

- Ensuring that the needs of the membership are met.
- Approving and evaluating plans and policies of the Association.
- Budgetary approval and control.
- Monitoring and reviewing financial objectives.
- Long-term strategic planning.

While not required, applicants for Member-at-Large positions are strongly encouraged to have been paid members for more than one year and have participated on at least one committee. Applicants for officer positions are encouraged to have participated on a committee and/or as a Board Member-at-Large.
Civilian Vice President (1 position)
- Nominee must be a member in good standing of SOMA.
- The Civilian Vice President will be from civilian Tactical medicine community.
- The Civilian Vice President shall have oversight over duties as assigned by the President.

Member-At-Large (2 positions available)
- Applicant must be a member in good standing of SOMA
- Must have a background in TEMS, Army, Navy or Air Force.
- Ability to commit to the Board of Directors for a two-year term and act as peer representative of the membership.
- The duties of Members-at-Large shall be as assigned by the President or Board of Directors of the Association.