



Iowa Association of County Extension Councils Board of Directors Nomination Q & A

How many nominees are there per region?

The Board of Directors consists of one representative from each Iowa Extension Administrative Region. We are currently seeking nominations for one open board position in various regions. Our goal is to secure at least 2 nominations per region. Please check with your IACEC liaison or REED to determine if your region will need to nominate a candidate this year.

What are the terms?

Directors will serve for a term of three years and may be eligible for re-election at the end of that time.

How many meetings are there?

Board members will meet face-to-face three to four times a year with the possibility of additional meetings via teleconference as they are needed. Sub-committees may also have teleconferences to conduct business in between meetings.

What are the other time commitments involved?

Board members will be responsible for visiting with extension councils in their area. This could be individual county visits, an area meeting of councils, or teleconferences. Some sub-committees require occasional work throughout the year. This work is typically conducted via e-mail or telephone.

What does the IACEC Board do?

The Board of Directors works to meet the needs of councils above all else. The Association is not another layer of university bureaucracy, but rather deals solely with the concerns of local county extension councils and helps them find resources and information. The board members serve to facilitate communication between extension councils and with extension administration.

Recurring projects the board supports include the legislative day, legislative coffees and open houses, and a semi-annual newsletter. They also may provide representation on statewide extension committees (to represent our membership), suggest or review extension policies, develop resources to

assist council members, support legislative initiatives for extension, and develop resources and explore ways to assist extension councils and their members.

How can I find out more about IACEC?

Talk with an IACEC board member in your region. Check out the IACEC website at www.iacec.info. On the website, you will find links to past minutes, newsletters, annual reports, and other information that will give you a more complete picture of our organization.

What are the benefits of being on the IACEC Board of Directors?

You can make a difference in ISU Extension on a state-wide level. The IACEC Board of Directors meets regularly with administrators, providing feedback and sharing ideas from their local councils. You will get to meet other people who are enthusiastic about extension and helping the citizens of the state of Iowa through extension programming.

How do I nominate someone to be on the Board of Directors?

If your council is interested in nominating one of its members to serve on this board, complete a candidate profile and return it to IACEC President Terry Maloy. Each council that does not have a member continuing as a current IACEC board member is encouraged to submit one candidate profile. If more than one individual is interested in serving, your council will need to determine a selection process within your own county. Nominations may be obtained from your IACEC representative in your area, your REED, or from the IACEC website (www.iacec.info) under the "forms" link.

What is the election timeframe?

After nominations are received, all IACEC members will be sent information on balloting. Ballots are due May 15. Candidates will be notified of the election results shortly thereafter.