## 1.22 BOARD ROLE DESCRIPTION: President-Elect

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**TITLE:** President-Elect

**REPORTS TO:** President

**DESCRIPTION:** Member of the Board for one year immediately followed by one-year terms each of President and Immediate Past President. All board terms start January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**PURPOSE:** Plays various leadership roles including assisting the President in fulfilling their governance responsibilities; complying with applicable laws and bylaws; acting in the President's place in their absence; and being accountable for their own performance.

## RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Attend 100% of Board meetings unless excused by the President.
- 2. Serves as President-elect of the International Association of Forensic Nurses, Inc. (IAFN) (501C6) and IAFN Foundation (Foundation) (501C3)
- 3. Serves as Board Liaison to assigned committees.
  - a. Act as a liaison between the Board and Committee by representing the Board at their Committee meetings and represents the Committee at Board meetings.
  - b. Function in an advisory role and outside of the operational structure and process of the group(s).
  - c. Communicate about committee activities regularly at Board meetings.
  - d. Attend committee meetings unless in conflict with priority Board responsibilities.
  - e. Advise concerning appropriate process regarding any governance issues.
  - f. Serve as a resource person to facilitate consistency with the mission, vision and strategic plan of the IAFN and Foundation.
  - g. Identify potential leaders.
- 4. Carry out special assignments as requested by the Board and/or President.
- 5. Understand the responsibilities of the President and be able to perform these duties by presiding in the President's absence.
- 6. Stays alert to community and member concerns that may impact the association and shares them with the Board.
- 7. Participate in long-range and short-range planning and review through the strategic planning process.
- 8. Identify and disclose any potential conflicts of interest.
- 9. In conjunction with the CEO and current President, makes rapid decisions about

time-sensitive requests to add the organization as a supporter (sign-on) in letters (typically related to public policy), statements and reports.

## TIME COMMITMENT:

- 1. Approximately 2-5 hours a week, depending on activities.
- 2. Attend 12 meetings held per year, 10 held virtually, 2 in-person.
- 3. Other representative travel as deemed appropriate to meet or further the goals identified by the Board of Directors.
- 4. Board Liaison Committee work 1-3 hours per month or as decided by the committee.
- 5. Attend orientation for new Board members.
- 6. Attend local IAFN Chapter meetings as needed.
- 7. Other meetings as requested by the President.

## **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- 1. Active IAFN service and commitment to organization.
- 2. Ability to manage many priorities at once.
- 3. Communications and/or public speaking experience
- 4. Employer support to the extent that business may be conducted during the work day.
- 5. Ability to listen well and provide a forum for productive dialogue, with contributions on all sides of an issue.
- 6. Ability to tackle difficult decisions with honesty and integrity.
- 7. Enthusiasm for the job; sensitive to the role and needs of staff, and inspired to achieve the organization's full potential. A desire to be innovative.
- 8. Must be willing and able to devote the necessary time. Understand the need for accountability and responsiveness.
- 9. Ability to think globally.