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To: Board Members Date: April 20, 2018

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**Executive Officer** 

Subject: Agenda Item 13 – Election of Board Officers

#### **Election of Officers**

Business and Professions Code § 3014 states that the board shall elect from its membership a president, a vice president, and a secretary who shall hold office for one year or until the election and qualification of a successor. All officers may be elected on one motion or ballot as a slate of officers unless more than one Board member is running per office. An officer may be re-elected and serve for more than one term.

## **Available Offices**

The available offices are President, Vice President and Secretary. Specific duties, as identified in the Board Member Handbook, are as follows:

#### **President**

- Board Business: Conducts the Board's business in a professional manner and with appropriate transparency, adhering to the highest ethical standards. Shall use Roberts Rules of Order as a guide and shall use the provisions of the Open Meeting Act during all Board Meetings.
- Board Vote: Conducts roll call vote
- Board Affairs: Ensures that Board matters are handled properly, including preparation of premeeting materials, committee functioning and orientation of new Board Members.
- **Governance:** Ensures the prevalence of Board governance policies and practices, acting as a representative of the Board as a whole.
- Board Meeting Agendas: Develops agendas for meetings with the Executive Officer and Legal Counsel. Presides at Board Meetings.
- **Executive Officer:** Establishes search and selection committee for hiring an Executive Officer. The committee will work with the DCA on the search. Convenes Board discussions for evaluating Executive Officer each fiscal year.
- Board Committees: Seeks volunteers for committees and coordinates individual Board
  Member assignments. Makes sure each committee has a chairperson, and stays in touch with
  chairpersons to be sure that their work is carried out. Obtains debrief from each Board
  Committee chairperson and reports committee progress and actions to Board at the Board
  Meeting.
- Yearly Elections: Solicits nominees not less than 45 days prior to open elections at Board Meeting.
- Community and Professional Representation: Represents the Board in the community on behalf of the organization (as does the Executive Officer and Public Outreach Committee).

## **Vice President**

- Board Business: Performs the duties and responsibilities of the President when the President is absent.
- Board Budget: Serves as the Board's budget liaison with staff and shall assist staff in the
  monitoring and reporting of the budget to the Board. Review budget change orders with staff.
- **Strategic Plan:** Serves as the Board's strategic planning liaison with staff and shall assist staff in the monitoring and reporting of the strategic plan to the Board.
- **Board Member On-Boarding:** Welcomes new members to the Board, is available to answer questions, and assist new Board Members with understanding their role and responsibilities. May participate in on-Boarding meeting with staff and new members.

## **Secretary**

- Attendance: Calls roll to establish quorum
- Board Motions: Restates the motion prior to discussion.
- Board Business: Reviews draft minutes for accuracy.
- Board Minutes: Ensures accuracy and availability, including but not limited to date, time and location of meeting; list of those present and absent; list of items discussed; list of reports presented; and text of motions presented and description of their disposition. Reviews and provides edits to draft minutes which have been transcribed by staff following recorded webcasts, note taking and other methods to record public meetings.
- **Yearly Elections:** Reviews template for nominee statements and oversees the compilation of statements for inclusion in Board Meeting Materials.
- Board Documents: Maintains copies of administrative documents, e.g., Board Member Handbook, Administrative Law Book, Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act for reference during Board Meeting.

#### **Nomination Forms**

Nomination forms were distributed to Board Members on March 20, 2018. As of April 9, 2018, staff received the nominations and candidate statement below. All candidates accepted the nominations and will have the opportunity to provide optional statements during the meeting.

Board President: Cyd Brandvein

Board Vice President: David Turetsky, OD

Candidate Statement:

The current team of Board Officers, working in conjunction with the Executive Officer, have made much headway in pursuing the Board's goals. These include streamlining and consolidating committee meetings (saving several thousand dollars annually), advancing legislation (Branch Office License repeal, continuing work on the Children's Vision Bill, on-going discussion with stakeholders regarding other legislation), improving the EO evaluation process and working with the DCA to obtain necessary staffing for the Board's office.

The position of Vice-President takes time, effort and commitment to get "up to speed". The V.P. reviews Board budgets and works with the EO on a number of day to day issues and assists in preparation for future projects. I have a flexible schedule allowing me to be in Sacramento as needed to assist the EO in the office, with the DCA or meeting with legislators/staff at the Capitol. With the current agenda of pending and proposed legislation, I feel my experience and scheduling flexibility will be valuable in helping the Board throughout the current and next legislative session.

Board Secretary: Rachel Michelin

#### **Action Requested**

Please seek nominations and provide time for each candidate to make any additional statements. <u>After all statements have been made, please solicit public comment</u>. Once all have been heard, please conduct roll call votes on each office position.