

2019 AAPIP Board Member Position Description

Founded in 1990, Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy (AAPIP) is a national membership and philanthropic advocacy organization dedicated to expanding and mobilizing philanthropic and community resources for underserved AAPI communities to build a more just and equitable society. AAPIP has a current professional staff of 5 and is headquartered in Oakland, CA.

AAPIP's core members include staff and trustees of foundations and other grantmaking entities as well as individual donors and philanthropy-serving professionals. Through ten regional chapters across the United States, AAPIP engages communities and philanthropy to address unmet needs, serves as a resource for and about AAPI communities, supports and facilitates giving by and to AAPI communities, and incubates new ideas and approaches for social justice philanthropy.

AAPIP's board of directors, comprising leaders from the philanthropic sector, serves as the organization's governing body responsible for guiding its mission and vision, along with providing legal and financial oversight. Board members are current Institutional or Individual Members in good standing, serving either a two- or three-year term with the possibility of renewal for one additional three-year term. Board members are elected by AAPIP's eligible voting membership for terms starting on July 1 in the year elected.

Responsibilities

- Attends all board meetings and committee calls, including all relevant preparation.
- Participates actively in standing and ad hoc committee work.
- Volunteers for and willingly accepts assignments and completes them thoroughly and on time.
- Builds relationships with other committee members, staff, chapter leaders and membership.
- Participates in the committee's annual evaluation and planning efforts.
- Serves as an external advocate for the organization's mission, purposes and programs, including fundraising support as needed.

Skills and Qualifications

- Current AAPIP Institutional or Individual member in good standing.
- Background or experience in nonprofit grantmaking, administration and/or board service; expertise in one or more key areas such as strategic planning, membership associations, nonprofit finance, policy advocacy and/or community engagement is helpful.
- Leadership and influence in diverse networks that can be leveraged to advance AAPIP's mission, purposes and impact.
- Background or experience with AAPI-related community issues, organizations, funding programs or advocacy efforts.
- Expansion of the Board's racial, ethnic, geographic and/or gender diversity.