

Time commitments of NYCAEYC Board service

Board members are elected for a term of two (2) years. (The Co-President serves one year as President-elect, two years as President, and one year as Past President.) Meetings of the full Board are typically held monthly with a minimum of those two meetings taking place by telephone.

A Summer Retreat in July and a Winter Retreat in January

Newly elected members also attend a 3 hour New Board Member Orientation session at the NYCAEYC Headquarters in June.

Board members serve on committees that may conduct business by email, conference call, or additional meetings.

Travel and other expenses associated with Board service are covered by NYCAEYC.

The Co-Presidents, President-elect, Past President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer constitute the Board's Executive Committee; this Committee meets monthly.

NYCAEYC Nominations and Elections process

A Nominating Panel is appointed annually to identify potential candidates for the following year's election. The Panel is charged to recommend a slate of qualified candidates for approval by the Governing Board and election by the membership. Candidates are recommended by members of the Governing board via a written recommendation to the nominating committee.

The Nominating Panel selects candidates for their ability to consider objectively the variety of perspectives, challenges, and choices inherent in the decisions affecting the Association's future, not to represent a particular group, region, or interest. In addition to their leadership knowledge, skills, and abilities, candidates are also selected to ensure that the Board collectively reflects the Association's commitment to diversity and inclusion.

Qualifications for all NYCAEYC Board candidates

The Nominating Panel seeks potential candidates who demonstrate strong leadership, commitment, and contributions to the field of early childhood education and in assuring the well-being of all young children.

Candidates should have knowledge and awareness of issues facing the early childhood field and the ability to conceptualize appropriate roles for the Association. Candidates must uphold NYCAEYC's mission, goals, priorities, and NAEYC's Code of Ethical Conduct.

Candidates must demonstrate a commitment to the Association's priority to be a highly functioning organization that is continually enriched by its institutional commitment to diversity and inclusion, and you must possess strong interpersonal skills with the ability to objectively consider various perspectives to guide major policy decisions.

Candidates need expertise in special areas needed by the Association-including knowledge of governance and group functioning, association work, and knowledge of and/or experience in NYCAEYC's committees as well as specific skills required for fulfilling Board responsibilities.

In addition, candidates need to be able to make the necessary commitment of time and other resources to serve effectively as a NYCAEYC Governing Board member and to serve as an effective ambassador for the Association and its principles.

Finally, you must be a current member of NYCAEYC.

These qualifications are designed to ensure that elected Board members are prepared to fulfill their designated responsibilities, including

- exercising fiduciary responsibilities and stewardship with regard to NYCAEYC's goals, policies, and allocation of resources;
- contributing to a policy governance model that provides leadership for the Association with a focus on mission;
- identifying and cultivating future Association leaders; and
- serving on committees and panels and being available for liaison relationships with Affiliate Groups.