ASNNA Board Recruitment

Frequently Asked Questions | October 2026

Interested in helping shape ASNNA's future? Learn more about the Board nomination process, available positions, and how to apply. Nominations close November 24, 2026.

1. **What is ASNNA becoming?**
   ASNNA is transitioning from focusing only on SNAP-Ed program administrators into an association serving a wider community nutrition and physical activity workforce. Its mission includes professional connection, collaboration, evidence-informed practice, and a national voice for the field.

2. **Why is a new Board being recruited?**
   The approved September 2026 bylaws establish a Board of Directors to govern ASNNA. The planned leadership handoff is February 1, 2027, with an initial transition period before the regular October 1–September 30 term cycle. To support a smooth transition, the current Leadership Team will continue serving in an advisory capacity through September 30, 2027, providing guidance, institutional knowledge, and continuity as the new Board assumes leadership responsibilities.

3. **What would I actually do as a Director?**
   Responsibilities vary by Board position but generally include guiding ASNNA's strategic direction, providing oversight, participating in meetings and decisions, and supporting organizational priorities. Additional operational responsibilities may be needed during the transition.

   View position-specific responsibilities here.

4. **How often does the Board meet?**
   The current draft Board Operating Procedures proposes monthly meetings. The bylaws require at least quarterly meetings or another schedule determined by the Board. The specific recurring day and time will be established with the incoming Board.

5. **Is this a paid position?**
   No. Directors serve without compensation. The bylaws permit reimbursement of reasonable, necessary expenses under Board-established policies.

6. **Will there be paid staff or consultants?**
   Not guaranteed. ASNNA is exploring funding for administrative support, but the transition plan assumes the incoming Board will be responsible for operations if funding is unavailable.

7. **Who can serve?**

Candidates must be ASNNA members in good standing, have relevant professional, organizational, or leadership experience, support the mission, and meet any additional Board policy qualifications.

8. **What positions are on the Board?**
   The Board includes a President, President-Elect, Immediate Past President, Treasurer, Secretary, and at least three Directors-at-Large. For details on available positions, responsibilities, and expectations, please see the Board Position Descriptions.

9. **How long is a term?**
   Term lengths vary by position:
   - President-Elect: Three-year leadership progression, serving one year each as President-Elect, President, and Immediate Past President.
   - Treasurer and Secretary: Two-year terms.
   - Directors-at-Large: Two-year terms.

   For the inaugural Board beginning February 1, 2027, some terms will be adjusted to establish staggered elections and align with ASNNA's regular October 1–September 30 term cycle.

   See the Board Position Descriptions for position-specific terms and responsibilities.

10. **Can people from partner organizations participate?**
    Yes, if they meet the membership and candidate eligibility requirements. The bylaws seek a range of professional and organizational perspectives. Directors act in ASNNA's best interests, not solely as representatives of their employer or partner organization, and must disclose conflicts.

11. **What benefits or programs will ASNNA offer?**
    The Task Force is exploring networking, professional development, mentoring, member resources, and an SNEB partnership. Specific benefits and partnership details are still being developed.

12. **How do nominations work and what is the deadline?**
    Nominations opened October 14, 2026, and close November 24, 2026. Individuals may nominate themselves or be nominated by others.

    Learn more about the nomination process and submit a nomination here.