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Dear AAPM members considering running for membership on the AAPM Board of Directors,

Thank you for considering serving the AAPM through Board membership. As you consider this opportunity, you may have questions as to what sort of time commitment this would entail, particularly with regard to travel.

Service on the AAPM board entails:
- attendance at two regular board meetings (held at the AAPM annual meeting and RSNA annual meeting).
- attendance at special board meetings (currently a special board meeting is held at the AAPM spring clinical meeting). AAPM national covers travel expenses for special board meetings, but not for regular board meetings.
- one board orientation meeting during the fall before you take office. This is a trip to AAPM headquarters in Alexandria, VA. AAPM national covers your travel expenses for this meeting.
- for chapter representatives, close communication with chapter leadership.

In addition to attending these trips, there may be an occasional board discussion using the BBS function on the AAPM website. You also will need to read the “board packet” prior to the meeting, which includes relevant minutes, reports, and action items submitted for board consideration. The packet is distributed 2 weeks in advance of board meetings. Reading the AAPM newsletter faithfully to stay informed on the breadth of AAPM activities is also strongly encouraged.

Service on the AAPM Board of Directors is an opportunity to have a major impact on our profession and the AAPM. The time commitment primarily involves preparation for and attendance at board meetings. It is important to note that remote attendance at board meetings is not an option. Thus, attendance at board meetings is expected, except in the case of extenuating circumstances.

Please let me know if you have any questions about board service. AAPM needs committed members from all facets of our organization at the leadership table! Thank you for giving this serious consideration,

Warmly,

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