

Hello ISPA Membership,

ISPA is in search of nominations for several important positions on our Governing Board. We are currently looking for nominations for the following positions: **President-Elect** and several **Regional Directors**.

I have found tremendous value through my involvement with ISPA leadership and have found that it has given me a unique opportunity to expand my professional experience, access to a larger network of supportive colleagues, and to advocate for school psychologists across the state in a way that I would not have been able to do otherwise. It is my hope that we can continue to develop strong leaders within the state so that ISPA may serve as an advocate for children and school psychologists in Illinois for years to come.

### **President-Elect**

The President-Elect is a one year term, then this person moves to the President position (one year term), and then the Immediate Past-President position (one year term). The terms of office for the President, President-Elect, and Immediate Past President commence on July 1st.

The **President-Elect** shall serve as President in the event the President is unable to fulfill the duties during the prescribed term, shall act as President in the temporary absence of the President, shall be an ex-officio member of the Convention Committee, shall be a member of the Executive Committee, shall become familiar with the operation and organization of all facets of ISPA, and shall carry out other functions designated by the President.

The **President** will provide leadership and direction to ISPA, preside over all meetings of ISPA, including Governing Board and Executive Committee, serve as ex-officio member of all committees of ISPA; President shall monitor the accomplishments of goals and objectives.

The **Immediate Past President** shall be chairperson of the Nominations and Elections Committee and shall be a member of the Executive Committee, shall provide support and guidance to the President and President-Elect, and shall carry out other functions as the Governing Board designates.

### **Regional Directors**

3 year term, limit 2 consecutive terms

- Region 2 Director
- Region 6 Director
- Region 8 Director

- Region 10 Director

The Regional Director is an elected liaison between Governing Board and Membership in Region and voting member of the Governing Board. The Regional Director engages in a variety of activities to support their region which can include collaboration with university programs in the region to support student and graduate educator participation in ISPA, helping to identify professional development needs within the region, and organizing networking events for psychologists within the region.

**What's the process?** If you or someone you know would be a good fit for this position, please let me know!

1. **Nominations need to be received by the time of the Business Meeting at the Annual Convention in March 14-15** (final date & time TBD). Call for Nominations will also be completed at the Business Meeting.
2. Within the coming months, the ISPA membership will vote for the elected positions.
3. Once elected, the new elected official will begin their term on July 1st.

**Interested but would like more information before you decide?** If you are interested in learning more about the positions, please let me know so that I can assist with providing more information and/or facilitating introductions with appropriate Governing Board members.