



U.S. OLYMPIANS &
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ASSOCIATION

USOPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

In the fall of 2023, the current USOPA Council voted to adopt formal [Operating Guidelines](#) in place of a constitution or bylaw document. We encourage you to read through this document to familiarize yourself with how the USOPA Council is organized and its charge. Further, the [USOPA Strategic Plan](#) clarifies how the USOPA Council plans to work toward the attainment of the following:

USOPA Mission: Engage alumni and inspire all communities through the ideals of the Olympic and Paralympic movements.

USOPA Vision: All United States Olympians and Paralympians experience a lifelong connection to the movements.

This year, USOPA will elect eight (8) Members-At-Large to the USOPA Executive Committee. Four (4) candidates will be elected to serve a two-year term (2025-2027) while an additional four (4) candidates will be elected to serve a four-year term (2025-2029). [See Operating Guidelines, USOPA Executive Committee, Section 4.](#)

This message serves as the official call for nominations to these volunteer positions.

You will note a change from previous years. The USOPA members will elect all eight (8) Executive Committee members and that the USOPA President will be selected by USOPA Executive Committee at their first meeting.

As a member of the USOPA Executive Committee, your commitment would be:

- Per the operating guidelines, there shall be three virtual and one in-person meetings per year. The president sets the meeting agendas and has the authority to call additional virtual meetings should the need arise.
- Oversee at least one internal USOPA committee (engagement and service focused) where additional meetings may be needed.
- Attend the annual meeting in-person (paid for by the USOPC).
- Attend, promote, and provide support to local initiatives in your area as a representative of USOPA as schedules permit.

To qualify for one of the eight (8) Member-At-Large positions, you must satisfy the following:

- Be in good standing with the USOPC, adhering to any applicable policies and codes of conduct (SafeSport, completed background check)
- Have been named as an athlete member of an official U.S. delegation at any Olympic or Paralympic Games.
- Full completion of the nomination form: [NOMINATION FORM](#)

USOPA President election procedure:

The president shall be selected by the Executive Committee after each election in a special meeting to elect a President from among their ranks. In 2024, the special meeting to elect the president will take place at the General Assembly/Annual Meeting in November.

The 2024 election could transition all eight (8) Members-At-Large seats to a new group of individuals; therefore, this election cycle is being held earlier than what has been stated in the Operating Guidelines. This will allow our new members to be elected prior to our annual meeting held at the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Assembly in November, where we will utilize a portion of that time to inform our leaders about their roles within USOPA and the USOPC. We also did not want to have this election process occurring during the Summer Games.

We sincerely hope that you will consider joining this extraordinary group of volunteer leaders and continue to build a more engaged USOPA. We will do better together!

Once an Olympian or Paralympian, Always an Olympian or Paralympian. Never Former, Never Past.

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