

Dear Fellow:

As the Chair of the Nominating Committee, I would like to solicit your assistance in securing viable candidates for the Board of Directors of the American Academy of Optometry. Being a leader within the AAO, you have had the opportunity to work with Fellows who possess the proper leadership skills to be considered for nomination for election to the Board of Directors.

Over the next few months, the Nominating Committee will be compiling information on these qualified nominees, who will be asked to submit a resume to assist in the final selection process for the October 2008 AAO Election. The deadline for nominees to submit their resumes to the Nominating Committee is April 25, 2008, so the sooner you submit your recommendations, the sooner the committee can send them a letter of invitation so they may submit their name and resume for consideration.

The Nominating Committee has determined the following traits and characteristics to be desirable in a nominee being considered for a position on the Board.

- Knowledge about the Academy and a record of service to the Academy.
- Strong dedication to the profession of optometry
- Working knowledge of other optometric, health care, optometric education, governmental and scientific organizations.
- Fiscal and business management experience
- Integrity, honesty, and peer respect
- Demonstrated leadership skills including: speaking, communication, interpersonal and organizational skills; visionary abilities; consensus building, creativity; problem solving; dependability, ability to support majority decisions (team player).

Please send the name of your nominees to Ms. Jana Kurtz (janak@aaoptom.org) at the Academy office at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Arol Augsburger OD, F.A.A.O." The signature is written in a cursive style with a small "OD" circled at the end.

Arol Augsburger, OD, F.A.A.O.
Chair, Nominating Committee
American Academy of Optometry