

# NAEBA Announces Board Nominations and Board Openings

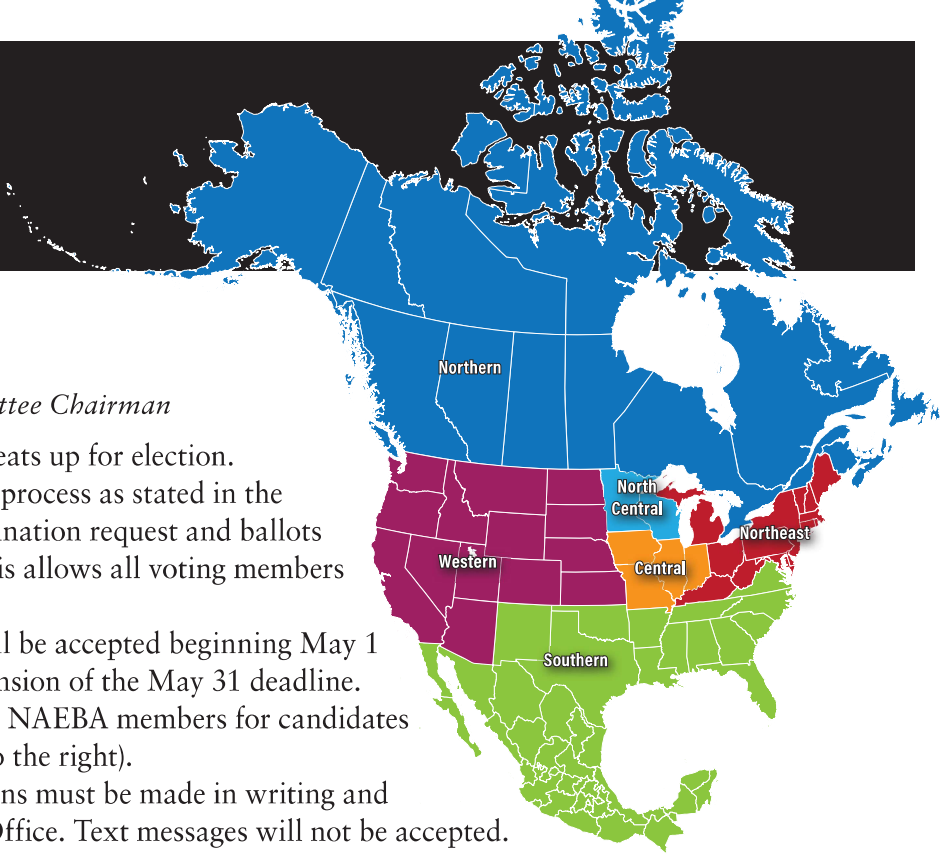
*Nominations will be accepted from May 1 – May 31, 2024*

By Mike Kenyon (IA), Nominating Committee Chairman

This summer, there will be five board seats up for election. NAEBA will be following the nominating process as stated in the association bylaws that provide for a nomination request and ballots mailed to voting members as of July 1. This allows all voting members the ability to engage in the process.

Nominations for all board openings will be accepted beginning May 1 and ending May 31. There will be no extension of the May 31 deadline. Nominations can only be made by current NAEBA members for candidates within their own region (see region map to the right).

Pursuant to NAEBA bylaws, nominations must be made in writing and mailed, faxed or emailed to the NAEBA Office. Text messages will not be accepted. Please see the following candidate expectations for the NAEBA board of directors as well as the timeline process for voting on the following page and be ready to be a part of the voting process.



*Per the association bylaws, NAEBA is formally announcing upcoming board openings for the 2024 election:*

- Northern Region (1 opening) ..... Connie Seutter\*
- Northeast Region (1 opening) ..... Dave Flory\*\*
- North Central Region (1 opening) ..... Bruce Krueger
- Western Region (2 openings) ..... Kami Marriott & Jon Reed\*

\*Termed out unless no one else is nominated to serve  
 \*\* This is the remaining two years of a three-year term

**Mail, Fax or Email Board Nominations to:**  
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## Eligibility and Expectations of Candidates for the North American Elk Breeders Association Board of Directors

### ELIGIBILITY

- Candidates must be paid members in good standing by the first day of that calendar year in order to be eligible for nomination.

### EXPECTATIONS

- Time availability – The NAEBA Board of Directors meets frequently, at least quarterly. Average meeting time is 1.5-2 hours. Board meetings will take place via conference call, except when convened at NAEBA events. Prior preparation, reviewing agenda, minutes and supplemental materials are required.
- Director feedback and active participation in discussion is expected during meetings and upon request via email.
- Basic knowledge and adherence of parliamentary procedure (Roberts Rules of Order).
- Knowledge of NAEBA's Bylaws and other organization rules and policy is essential.

- Attendance at NAEBA events and assist the staff with program execution.
- Regional directors serve as the liaison from their states/provinces to the NAEBA board. Regular contact between the respective state/provincial leadership is essential to ensure the membership is properly represented.
- Encouraging stakeholders to join the association.
- Serve on at least one committee or task force.
- Assist in completing NAEBA goals and programs.
- Represent the organization and board of directors in a positive and professional manner.
- Represent the organization at state/provincial meetings in your region if the executive director is unavailable.
- Chairpersons of committees are expected to take ownership and complete their duties in a timely manner.

# Board of Directors Nominating Process

**SEPTEMBER 2023** – The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee with an acting Chairperson that will seek candidates to fill any upcoming open Board of Directors seats. President Jon Reed appointed Mike Kenyon to serve as the chairman.

**MAY 1, 2024** – The first day nominations will be accepted. Nominations can only be made by members for candidates within their own region. The nominator and nominee cannot be affiliated with the same voting membership. Nominations must be mailed, faxed or sent via electronic mail to the NAEBA office. Text messages will not be accepted. The Nominating Chairman will announce vacancies and the candidate nomination process in the May edition of the North American Elk journal. The announcement will list the eligibility requirements and expectations of board members. The 2024 openings are as follows: Northern (1 opening), Northeast Region (1 opening), North Central Region (1 opening) and Western Region (2 openings).

**MAY 31, 2024** – The deadline for candidate nominations to be submitted by the membership. No exceptions.

**JUNE 1, 2024** – The Nominating Committee will collect the list of nominations. The committee will ensure each nomination meets the eligibility requirements and then ask the nominee if they choose to accept the nomination. They will ask each candidate to submit a biography profile to publish with the ballots and ask each of them to agree to the list of expectations of board directors. The Committee will then have a list of candidates for the elections.

**JUNE 9, 2024** – Last day nominees can submit their biographies to the NAEBA office. The newsletter will be printed after this date. No exceptions for late entries.

**JULY 1, 2024** – The list of each candidate by region, along with their submitted biographies, will be published in the July NAEBA newsletter.

**JULY 1, 2024** – Each member will be mailed a marked ballot for their region's election. Printed copies of the candidates' biographies will be included. Only voting members on July 1, 2024, will receive a mail-in ballot in the mail. New memberships or renewals after July 1 will not be able to vote in this election. Official ballots must be mailed and received at the NAEBA office by July 27, or hand delivered to the registration desk at the NAEBA convention by 8:15 a.m. mountain time on August 2, 2024.

**JULY 27, 2024** – Mail-in ballots must be received at the NAEBA office by this date. Ballots received after this date by mail will not be able to be counted in the vote count. No ballots will be issued after this date. No exceptions.

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 2024** – Official sealed ballots will be accepted at the registration desk until 8:15 a.m. mountain time. No ballots will be accepted after this time. No exceptions. The ballot counting committee will then calculate the votes. At the conclusion of the general membership meeting at the NAEBA Annual Convention at approximately 9:50 a.m. mountain time, the Nominating Committee chairman will read the Nominations Report listing the candidates by region and the name of the member that nominated each one. The general membership will be asked to vote to accept the Nominations Report. After approval, the Nominations Report shall be available to the membership upon request and shall be kept on file for the current year plus the past two years. After the vote, the Nominating Committee chairman will announce the winners of each election.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 2024** – The 2024-2025 Board of Directors will convene for the first time on Saturday morning to elect officers, appoint committee chairs and consider any necessary board business.