

November 21, 2008

**NASS Northwest Region Members:**

The NASS Board of Directors (BOD) is in the process of appointing a Regional Director for the Northwest Region due to Lori Baker stepping down. Lori had done a fantastic job as your Region Director!

According to the NASS Bylaws, for a Regional Director position that has been vacated with less than twelve (12) months to complete the term, NASS BOD can appoint a member from that Region to fulfill the rest of that term.

However, the NASS BOD prefers to include our Northwest Regional Members who would like to nominate a member to be considered for this appointment from your region.

Please send your nominee to be considered for the Northwest Region position to the NASS Board of Directors at [NASS@Shagya.net](mailto:NASS@Shagya.net) **no later than December 6, 2008 midnight.**

On **December 7, 2008** the nominee(s) will be presented to the NASS Board of Directors for consideration for this appointed position for the remainder of the term – July 31, 2009. The NASS Board of Directors will inform NASS Membership of the appointment, after which the Northwest Regional Director will take office immediately.

**Regional Directors:** Regional Directors will primarily represent the members in the specific region for which they are designated, and said regional director must live in the region they represent. Among the duties and responsibilities set forth in these Bylaws, Regional Directors' specific duties shall include, but not be limited to, maintaining contact with the members in their region, keeping their regional members informed of upcoming events, establishing rapport with existing and potential members in their region to encourage participation in regional events, and making these opportunities available to their regional members.

**Conflict of Interest:** A conflict of interest is deemed to arise when the not-for-profit Board Member, by virtue of his/her affiliation with other organizations, either as a Board Member, as an owner, as an employee, or in some other capacity, has divided loyalties. A Board Member must disclose a conflict of interest as soon as he becomes aware of it. The interest must be fully disclosed to the entire Board. Trade secrets and confidential material need not be disclosed, but the fact that the conflict exists must be disclosed. After full disclosure, the Board of Directors may determine whether to exclude the Member in the discussions and/or vote held by the Corporation which involves items over which there is a conflict of interest. Such decision may be determined on an as-needed basis by a majority vote of those Directors present at the meeting. The minutes of any meeting at which a Board Member reveals or discusses a potential conflict of interest must reflect those discussions in detail.

Sincerely,  
NASS Board of Directors  
Jamie Buck – Eastern Region  
Gwyn Davis – BOD at Large  
Arlene Michaud – BOD at Large  
Kathy Richkind – Rocky Mountain Region  
Adele Furby – BOD at Large  
Elaine Kerrigan – Southwest Region  
Terry Hey – Midwest Region  
Monique Vincent – BOD at Large