

AREA Candidates' Nomination Form

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How long have you been a member of AREA? 5 year
For what office are you seeking nomination? Treasurer

Please compose and attach a 500 word (or less) candidate statement, answering the following two statements/questions. If AREA nominates you as a candidate this will be your candidate's statement.

1. Provide a brief biography and explain why you are running for the office.
2. What are your priorities for AREA and how will you work toward them?

Please list two professional associates who have known you for two years or longer as character references.

1. Name Boss Self Phone 803-609-7017
Email Self R@dnr.sc.gov
2. Name Lynn Quattro Phone 803-201-9926
Email Quattro L@dnr.sc.gov

Email or USPS mail this completed application, with the candidate's statement, to the AREA Secretary

Sarah Chabaane

Office: Treasurer

Candidate Statement:

I am the Aquatic Education Coordinator for the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources. I have been with the agency for 7 years and prior worked for a non-profit in Washington DC. My love of educating using the outdoors began as an AmeriCorps member in my home state of Florida. I am running for the treasurer's position to be greater involved in an organization that I find valuable as a community and resource. My priorities are to maintain a streamlined method of bookkeeping, provide transparency, and provide accurate reporting to the board and members.

Code of Ethics for Elected Officers of AREA

As an elected officer of the Aquatic Resources Education Association (AREA) I will:

Represent the affairs of all AREA members without prejudice or favor of special interests within or outside the Association.

Always keep confidential items and information confidential.

Never use my leadership position in AREA for personal gain or for the advantage of other individuals within or outside AREA.

Exercise my authority in a leadership role only when acting in official board meetings and/or as I am directed by the AREA Board of Directors.

Consider all issues presented for my review with an open mind to base my decisions on what is best for AREA and to never violate the trust of the membership of AREA.

Avoid any conflicts of interest between my position with AREA and my professional or personal life, and to remove myself from any discussion and voting on matters in which I have conflict.

Agree to resign my position as an AREA representative if I find myself unable to carry out my duties or unable to abide by this code of ethics.

Commit to AREA members that I will do all in my power to ensure the Association's present and future financial security, growth and development.

I give my personal pledge to exercise the duties and responsibilities of this office or appointment with integrity, dedication, and commitment.

Signed  Date 8/27/2020

Send a signed and dated copy of this form to the AREA Secretary