

Call for Nominations for Board of Directors Candidacy

Nominations Due by March 1, 2010

The Bereaved Parents of the USA Nominating Committee is seeking applicants to fill two positions on the Board of Directors. You can help by identifying potential nominees who you believe would be qualified and interested in running for election.

The future of our organization depends – as it does in the election each year – on the quality of the people whom we elect to the Board. In the next few years we will face major challenges. We and our organization need to be sure we have a strong, capable, and productive Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors is composed of seven members, each serving three-year, staggered, terms. Under our bylaws a Member of the Board can serve for only two terms – a total of six years.

Beverley Hurley, from our Tampa FL chapter, is completing her sixth year of service – at the national level – to bereaved parents. She served as our President for two years, and is our most senior and experienced Board Member. Beth Reynolds, from our Denton TX chapter, is completing her first three-year term, but due to work and family demands, has decided not to seek a second term this year. The departure of these two Members will leave big holes on our Board!

Under our bylaws, anyone who is a member in good standing of BP/USA is eligible to be considered for Board candidacy. This includes bereaved parents, grandparents, and siblings – including bereaved stepparents, step-grandparents, and step brothers and sisters.

The Board meets twice a year; once during the fall and again at the time of the annual BP/USA gathering.

We urge you to consider running this year! If this is not the time for you to do so, consider members in your chapter and others you might know who would be potential nominees.

We would love to talk with you about the Board, its role, its challenges, and how you or others you know might serve at the national level. Please feel free to contact Dave Alexander, President of the Board, or Donna Corrigan, Chair of the Nominating Committee. You can reach Dave by phone at 410-544-3634 or by email at President@BereavedParentsUSA.org. Donna can be reached by phone at 630-841-7056 or by email at Nominations@BereavedParentsUSA.org.

Attached are two files – one in pdf format and the other in MS Word format – which contain the form and instructions for submitting a nomination for Board candidacy.

We need good candidates and we appreciate your help in finding them!

Please submit your nominations by March 1, 2010.