## **Board of Governors Nominee Form**

# OF GOVERNORS NOMINEES

It is extremely important that USPC be governed by a qualified, diversified, and competent Board of Governors. We have such a board today. In order to maintain the quality of the board and to be able to fill board openings with the caliber and skills needed, it is necessary to have a list of potential Board nominees.

Currently, the Nominating Committee is looking for individuals with the following skill sets including philanthropy, institutional advancement/fundraising, business and non-profit leadership, and interest in leadership and educational development, particularly in youth.

The following information outlines the philosophy of the Board of Governors and recommendations for the selection of the ideal board. Please complete the second page of the form and send it to the Pony Club National Office.

## Qualifications of the Ideal Board of Governor Member:

- Is a visionary and an advocate for USPC who embodies the USPC Mission.
- Has experience with and understanding of Pony Club programs and issues.
- Has the willingness and ability to look at USPC from a National perspective.
- Has the desire and commitment to be involved and take responsibility on the Board of Governors.

- Has the ability to accept and support a majority opinion; to move past personal opinions.
- Is a team builder and relates well to others.
- Possesses strong communication skills both verbal and written.
- Has the capability to be a leader and is willing to assume that role within USPC.
- Can be decisive and has the courage to stand up to conflict, tackling difficult issues and bringing them to resolution.
- Brings diverse experience and expertise outside of USPC.
- Can be analytical, solving problems than moving forward to the next issue.
- Follows through with responsibilities in a timely manner.
- Is willing to attend meetings at their own expense, contribute to USPC's Annual Fund, and encourage others to financially support USPC.
- Has equestrian experience.
- Represents geographical diversity on the Board.

## USPC Board of Governors Philosophy and Responsibilities

#### PHILOSOPHY:

In order to provide the necessary leadership, general management and control over the property and affairs of the organization, Article V, Section 1 and Article VI of the Bylaws establishes a Board of Governors for The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. The Board of Governors recognizes the necessity of rotation of Members of the Board of Governors so that various geographical regions of Pony Club are represented and so that the diversity of viewpoints and expertise found within Pony Club is represented.

## INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Maintain membership in USPC, Inc.
- 2. Contribute and raise funds for the organization.
- 3. Serve without compensation.
- 4. Avoid conflicts of interest.
- Attend all meetings of the Board of Governors at their own expense three times a year.
- 6. Attend regional activities in your own area.
- 7. Serve on committees of the Board as appointed by the President and ratified by the Board.

#### **BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- 1. Establish and review policy and plans of USPC.
- 2. Contribute and raise funds for the organization.
- 3. Ensure that programs and activities are directed toward meeting USPC's purposes, objectives, and mission as stated in the Bylaws and as enacted by the Board of Governors.
- 4. Elect the President and other officers of the corporation and delegate authority to the officers who may then act for the corporation within the scope of the authority delegated to them respectively.
- 5. Represent and speak for membership at large. Determine members' needs and bring concerns to the attention of the Board.
- 6. Make major decisions affecting resource allocations and other major financial matters; approve an annual budget and assist in fundraising.
- 7. Preserve the assets of the corporation and ensure that proper reports are made to members.
- 8. Review and approve strategic plans and long-range goals; monitor progress on a regular basis.
- Provide continuous oversight and direction to ensure the quality of programs and services offered to members.
- 10. Address policy issues concerning USPC, delegate certain administrative details; offer well-informed, constructive advice and criticism; and promote actions that are in the best interest of The United States Pony Clubs, Inc.

### **Board of Governors Nominee Information**

I have read the responsibilities of a USPC Governor and that the Nominating Committee is looking for individuals with the following skill sets including philanthropy, institutional advancement/fundraising, business and non-profit leadership, and interest in leadership and educational development, particularly in youth.

I would like to recommend the person listed below for the Nominating Committee's consideration as a nominee to the USPC Board of Governors.

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