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Subject: RSA Board of Directors Makeup

Starting 1 July 2024, the RSA Board of Directors will consist of 12 seats apportioned as outlined below. Candidates for the Board must be a Director of a Member Library, or hold a Supervisor level position and be nominated by their Library Director, or be a School, Academic, or Special Librarian. The Board shall appoint a 3-person nominating committee to actively recruit a slate of candidates starting in February of each year. The full election slate will be released prior to the voting.

Each Member Library has one vote and votes for all open seats in each election. Elections shall be held by electronic ballot.

All Board Members serve a 4 year elected term with a maximum continuous total of 9 years service on the Board. The years of service start accruing as of 1 July 2024. Annual elections take place in May/June each year. Board members with more than 9 years of maximum continuous service on the Board must take one year off prior to serving again. Newly elected Board Members begin their term effective July 1st, except in the case where there is an appointment to fill an open term. Any open position with more than 9 months remaining will result in a special election with the elected member being seated immediately after the results are tabulated and released.

The initial Board of Directors election for the new Illinois Intergovernmental Instrumentality RSA will take place in June 2024. All 12 positions on the Board will be filled in this election to serve a partial or full term as outlined below.

The Board has four elected positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary. Any Board member may fill any of these elected roles. President and Secretary positions are filled by a Board vote at the July meeting in even FY's. Vice President and Treasurer positions are filled by a Board vote the July meeting in odd FY's except for the July 2024 meeting where all 4 positions will be filled.

All Board of Directors meetings require an in-person quorum. Meetings will rotate between the 5 RSA regions. Board members will be reimbursed for gas and provided food at each meeting. Each Board Member's library will receive a \$1,000 rebate to their annual RSA fee, credited at the end of each year of service, on the following year's invoice. The rebate is to help member libraries cover the time and potential part-time staff expense required to have staff serve on the Board.

Group 1: Board Seats Elected in May/June 2024, 2028, 2032 (initial 4 year term)

Seat 1: Northern Region

• Eligibility: all members of any type or size in the Northern region

Seat 2: Public Library (4K – 10K pop served)

• Eligibility: 21 Public Libraries currently in this range

Seat 3: At Large #1

• Eligibility: all members of any type, size, or region

Group 2: Board Seats Elected in May/June 2025, 2029, 2033 (initial 1 year term)

Seat 4: Southern Region

• Eligibility: all members of any type or size in the Southern region

Seat 5: Central Region

• Eligibility: all members of any type or size in the Central region

Seat 6: Public Library (less than 2K pop served)

• Eligibility: 34 Public Libraries currently in this range

Group 3: Board Seats Elected in May/June 2026, 2030, 2034 (initial 2 year term)

Seat 7: Western Region

• Eligibility: all members of any type or size in the Western region

Seat 8: Public Library (+10K pop served)

• Eligibility: 16 Public Libraries currently in this range

Seat 9: At Large #2

• Eligibility: all members of any type, size, or region

Group 4: Board Seats Elected in May/June 2027, 2031, 2035 (initial 3 year term)

Seat 10: Eastern Region

• Eligibility: all members of any type or size in the Eastern region

Seat 11: Public Library (2K – 4K pop served)

• Eligibility: 25 Public Libraries currently in this range

Seat 12: School, Academic, or Special Library

• Eligibility: all School, Academic, or Special members of any size or region