



Call for Nominations

2020 Governing Board of Directors and Foundation Committees

Jasper Newton Foundation, Inc. is committed to building volunteer leadership that is representative of the counties and communities we serve. We also believe an organization's governance is enhanced when people with diverse points of view and backgrounds, reflective of the communities they serve, work together to accomplish shared goals.

2020 Nominations:

1. Nominees for the Jasper Newton Foundation Governing Board need to be associated with the Foundation and have at least one (1) year of experience serving in an organizational administrative activity and has serves as a member of one of the County Service Advisory Committees. The individual must reside in Jasper or Newton County and every reasonable effort shall be made to ensure the composition of the Board is evenly distributed between each county.
2. The Board will have at least two (2) director openings for 3-year terms that begin January 1, 2020. Directors can be eligible for re-election to a second and third term of three years at the conclusion of each three-year term. Committees to do not have size or term limits for membership unless otherwise indicated.
3. We are first and foremost seeking board and committee candidates with demonstrated leadership skills and the ability to provide strategic direction and governance for the Jasper Newton Foundation, as well as to continue to enhance diversity in all areas (age, gender, ethnicity, geographic representation, abilities and skills, experience, etc.).
4. Nominees from outside of this organization will be contacted by Foundation staff for a resume and other background information.

How to Submit your Nomination

Please submit your nomination by completing the nomination form at <https://www.jaspernewtonfoundation.org/nominations/> and emailing them to Brienne Hooker bhooker@jasperfdn.org – you may also mail them to PO Box 295, Rensselaer, IN 47978 or drop them by the office. Please be sure that the nominee has given consent to this nomination prior to your submission.



JNF Board Responsibilities

Defining Roles and Characteristics of a Governing Board

A governing board has an equal focus on a strong board and a strong staff. Board actions demonstrate mutual care and concern for individual board members and the Executive Director. This includes reasonableness and enabling attitude toward the Executive Director and not micro-managing the organization. The ED in turn is responsible for staff. Together the board and staff work as a team to work legally and ethically in pursuit of the mission and goals of the organization.

The major responsibilities of the JNF board include:

- Establish and renew the JNF vision and mission
- Ensure effective organizational strategic planning and annual review of staff work plan
- Select, support and assess the performance of the President/Chief Executive Officer
- Ensure oversight of fiscal, human and physical resources
- Monitor progress on achieving organizational goals and objectives
- Ensure legal and ethical compliance and accountability
- Advocate for IPA and its programs, including reaching out to stakeholders
- Recruit and orient new board members and periodically assess board performance
- Determine the financial and other resources necessary to carry out IPA's goals and assist in identifying and obtaining those resources

Individual Roles and GB Member Responsibilities

- Work in good faith with staff and other board members as partners towards achievement of the organization's goals
- Stay informed about what's going on in the organization and the nonprofit sector as a whole; ask questions and request information; and participate in and take responsibility for making decisions on issues, policies and other board matters
- Interpret the organization's work and values to the community, represent the organization, and act as a spokesperson
- Assist in obtaining the financial resources necessary to carry out the goals of IPA including advocating for her/his own organization's support of the organization
- Act in the best interests of JNF, and excuse one's self from discussions and votes where the board member has a conflict of interest
- Serve on at least one committee
- Attend a majority of the board and assigned committee meetings.



JNF Volunteer Leader Candidate Nomination Form

Nomination for: Governing Board of Directors

Committee: Finance

NC Scholarships

JC Scholarships

NC or JC Advisory Committee

NC or JC Lilly Scholarship Committee

Other

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Name _____

Title _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

Email _____

NOMINATOR INFORMATION Check if this is a self-nomination. If self-nominating, include information for a colleague familiar with your work in the fields below.

Name _____

Title _____

Organization _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Nominations must be submitted by November 1, 2019. Candidate Nomination Forms may be completed via the options below (online or email is preferred):

ONLINE: <https://www.jaspernewtonfoundation.org/nominations>

EMAIL: bhooker@jasperfdn.org MAIL: PO Box 295, Rensselaer, IN 47978



Briefly describe nominee's work in the community they are from – including volunteer service.

Has nominee served on any JNFcommittee(s) in the past? (Identify)

Describe nominee's participation on other boards, including any leadership or officer positions.

Why would this nominee make a valuable contribution to the JNF board/board committee?

Describe the nominee's approach to leadership.



Provide an example of how the nominee has demonstrated innovation and diversity of thought.

Provide an example of how the nominee has resolved conflict.

What specific skills and/or expertise does the nominee bring to the JNF board/board committee?

Other comments about the nominee:



Committee Descriptions

Jasper & Newton County Advisory Committee

Each county has a committee of individuals who have a vested interest in the success and viability of their county. This group will be responsible for granting recommendations and grant review each year. They will also take on discussions and guidance roles as new ideas, issues, or challenges arise in their county. These Committees are the “boots on the ground” group in each Jasper and Newton Counties separately – keeping their thumb on the pulse of things going on. Guidance in areas of grant funding and areas of need are critical to our organization. They will also serve as Foundation Representatives on other boards and initiatives in either county. The desired size for this group is 8-10 and they will meet 5-6 times a year to review and recommend grants.

Jasper & Newton Lilly Scholarship Committee

Each county has a committee of adult individuals who select our county Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Recipients each year. The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship is funded through Independent Colleges of Indiana (ICI) by Lilly Endowment Inc. It is a full-tuition scholarship that also includes \$900 per semester for books and additional fees – to ANY college or university in the state of Indiana. This committee gathers 2 times a year. Applications are reviewed online and a meeting is held to decide which anonymous applicants will be interviewed. The interviews are scheduled for the second meeting and the committee will make their final decisions on Top Recipient and 2 Alternates (as dictated by ICI). We are looking for 5-6 individuals for this committee each year, including one former Lilly Scholar in each county. There is a Jasper County Committee and a Newton County Committee.

Jasper & Newton Scholarship Committee

The Scholarship committees are the largest group of individuals in the Foundation organization. This group reviews the online scholarship applications of all 6 surrounding school systems for 70+ scholarship funds. This committee has two levels of interaction available to a member. There are Online Reviewers who simply review and score online applications and submit those scores. The second group reviews the online applications too and will meet together (in person) to review the score totals and make student award recommendations with the total of all scores submitted. There are two committees, one for Jasper County and one for Newton County.

Finance Committee

The Finance committee contains 5-6 members with a focus on equal membership from each County. This group focuses on reviewing the financials each month – with 10-12 meetings scheduled per calendar year – along with investment performance and audit reviews. The Finance Committee is chaired by the Treasurer of the Corporation. Their primary role is to secure sustainable funding so that our donors can continue to give through their funds each year in a satisfying manner and to secure and protect sufficient grant funding for the community grants in each county.

Other Committees

Often other Committees are formed for specific events or purposes as dictated by the Governing Board. We currently utilize a Gala Committee for our annual dinner. We also have a Grace Pampel Grants Committee, composed of former school teachers and administrators to review local high school specific grant requests.