
2015 T_EX Users Group election

Kaja Christiansen
for the Elections Committee

The positions of TUG President and nine members of the Board of Directors will be open as of the 2015 Annual Meeting, which will be held in July 2015 in Darmstadt, Germany.

The current President, Steve Peter, has stated his intention to step down, and the current Vice-President, Jim Hefferon, has stated his intention to run for President.

The directors whose terms will expire in 2015: Barbara Beeton, Karl Berry, Susan DeMeritt, Michael Doob, Taco Hoekwater, Ross Moore, Cheryl Ponchin, Philip Taylor, and Boris Veytsman.

Continuing directors, with terms ending in 2017: Kaja Christiansen, Steve Grathwohl, Jim Hefferon, Klaus Hoppner, Arthur Reutenauer, David Walden.

The election to choose the new President and Board members will be held in Spring of 2015. Nominations for these openings are now invited.

The Bylaws provide that “Any member may be nominated for election to the office of TUG President/to the Board by submitting a nomination petition in accordance with the TUG Election Procedures. Election . . . shall be by written mail ballot of the entire membership, carried out in accordance with those same Procedures.” The term of President is two years.

The name of any member may be placed in nomination for election to one of the open offices by submission of a petition, signed by two other members in good standing, to the TUG office at least two weeks (14 days) prior to the mailing of ballots. (A candidate’s membership dues for 2015 will be expected to be paid by the nomination deadline.) The term of a member of the TUG Board is four years.

A nomination form follows this announcement; forms may also be obtained from the TUG office, or via <http://tug.org/election>.

Along with a nomination form, each candidate must supply a passport-size photograph, a short biography, and a statement of intent to be included with the ballot; the biography and statement of intent together may not exceed 400 words. The deadline for receipt of nomination forms and ballot information at the TUG office is **1 February 2015**. Forms may be submitted by FAX, or scanned and submitted by e-mail to office@tug.org.

Ballots will be mailed to all members within 30 days after the close of nominations. Marked ballots must be returned no more than six (6) weeks following the mailing; the exact dates will be noted on the ballots.

Ballots will be counted by a disinterested party not affiliated with the TUG organization. The results of the election should be available by early June, and will be announced in a future issue of *TUGboat* as well as through various T_EX-related electronic lists.

2015 TUG Election — Nomination Form

Only TUG members whose dues have been paid for 2015 will be eligible to participate in the election. The signatures of two (2) members in good standing at the time they sign the nomination form are required in addition to that of the nominee. **Type or print** names clearly, using the name by which you are known to TUG. Names that cannot be identified from the TUG membership records will not be accepted as valid.

The undersigned TUG members propose the nomination of:

Name of Nominee: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

for the position of (check one):

TUG President

Member of the TUG Board of Directors

for a term beginning with the 2015 Annual Meeting, **July 2015**.

1. _____
(please print)

_____ (signature) _____ (date)

2. _____
(please print)

_____ (signature) _____ (date)

Return this nomination form to the TUG office (forms submitted by FAX or scanned and submitted by e-mail will be accepted). Nomination forms and all required supplementary material (photograph, biography and personal statement for inclusion on the ballot) must be received in the TUG office no later than **1 February 2015**.¹ It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that this deadline is met. Under no circumstances will incomplete applications be accepted.

- nomination form
- photograph
- biography/personal statement

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¹ Supplementary material may be sent separately from the form, and supporting signatures need not all appear on the same form.