

Have you considered serving on your PNBA Education Committee?

The PNBA Board of Directors appoints the members of our Education Committee, using suggestions from current and previous members, and by soliciting letters of interest from current PNBA members. The primary factor that the Board considers is that candidates need to represent a current voting member of the Association. The nine-member Education Committee is traditionally comprised primarily of booksellers, with one or two library, author, or publisher members.

Appointments to the Committee are for a single three-year term. New Committee members will be determined at the annual Board Retreat in early February. Generally speaking, the Board looks for a mix of candidates to continually preserve a cross-section of the current membership—store size, store specialty, geographic location, etc.

In any particular year, attempting to maintain or restore balance may be a factor in the Board's selecting one candidate over another. Because of this consideration, a candidate who is not selected one year, may be an ideal selection the next year.

Service on PNBA Committees is unpaid but all expenses incurred to attend any and all Committee meetings, including the meeting at the fall show, are fully reimbursed by PNBA. Typically, the Education Committee meets once or twice during the late spring and summer via teleconference. The Committee also meets in person at the fall show.

The Education Committee is responsible for fashioning all sessions (selecting from submitted proposals, customizing original content, securing contributors) and then for providing PNBA staff with all information and materials for promotion in the show program. At the show, the Committee is expected to produce, monitor, and then convene to review the educational sessions. The typical PNBA Education Committee member spends approx. 20 hours a year on Education projects, including time dedicated to Education Day at the Show.

If you would like to be considered for a position on the PNBA Education Committee, please send an email to Executive Director [Brian Juenemann](#) providing a brief a brief statement of your interest as well as assurance of your willingness to commit the time and energy to serve on the Committee. Your application will be forwarded to the PNBA Board of Directors.

Important note: All new Committee members must have the authorization of the store manager or owner, allowing participation in meetings and guaranteeing attendance at the Tradeshow.