

2017 T_EX Users Group election

Barbara Beeton
for the Elections Committee

The positions of TUG President and nine members of the Board of Directors will be open as of the 2017 Annual Meeting, which will be held in April–May 2017 in Bachotek, Poland.

The terms of these individuals will expire in 2017: Karl Berry, Kaja Christiansen, Steve Grathwohl, Jim Hefferon, Klaus Höppner, Steve Peter, Geoffrey Poore, Arthur Reutenauer, Michael Sofka.

Continuing directors, with terms ending in 2019: Barbara Beeton, Susan DeMeritt, Michael Doob, Cheryl Ponchin, Norbert Preining, Boris Veytsman.

The election to choose the new President and Board members will be held in early Spring of 2017. 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 . . . ballot of the entire membership, carried out in accordance with those same Procedures.”

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; the petition and all signatures must be received by the deadline published below. A candidate’s membership dues for 2017 must be paid before the nomination deadline. The term of President is two years, and 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 complete nomination forms and ballot information is **5 p.m. (PST) 1 February 2017** at the TUG office in Portland, Oregon, USA. No exceptions will be made. Forms may be submitted by fax, or scanned and submitted by email to office@tug.org; receipt will be confirmed by email.

Information for obtaining ballot forms from the TUG website will be distributed by email to all members within 21 days after the close of nominations. It will be possible to vote electronically. Members preferring to receive a paper ballot may make arrangements by notifying the TUG office; see address on the form. Marked ballots must be received by the date 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 mid-April, and will be announced in a future issue of *TUGboat* and through various T_EX-related electronic media.

2017 TUG Election — Nomination Form

Only TUG members whose dues have been paid for 2017 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 2017 Annual Meeting, **April–May 2017**.

1. _____
(please print)

_____ (signature) _____ (date)

2. _____
(please print)

_____ (signature) _____ (date)

Return this nomination form to the TUG office via postal mail, fax, or scanned and sent by email. Nomination forms and all required supplementary material (photograph, biography and personal statement for inclusion on the ballot) must be received at the TUG office in Portland, Oregon, USA, no later than **5 p.m. (PST) 1 February 2017**.¹ It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that this deadline is met. Under no circumstances will late or 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.