**2015 TpX Users Group election**

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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 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 Höppner, 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 and the term of a Board member is four years.

The name of any member may be placed in nomination for election to one of the open offices by submission of a petition, supported by two other members in good standing, to the TUG office. The nomination form can be sent by postal mail, faxed, or scanned and submitted by email. Any or all of the supporting signatures can be sent separately, via any of those same methods, from the nomination form. Such a separate supporting signature should be on the same nomination form, left blank except for the candidate’s name, printed name and signature of the supporter, and date.

A nomination form follows this notice; forms may also be obtained from the TUG office, or via [http://tug.org/election](http://tug.org/election).

Along with a nomination form, each candidate is asked to supply a short biography, a statement of intent, and (optional) passport-size photograph to be included with the ballot. The biography and statement of intent together may not exceed 400 words; sending these by email in plain ASCII or TpX is preferred, with the photo given as an attachment or url. Also, a candidate’s membership dues for 2015 are expected to be paid by the nomination deadline.

The deadline for receipt of nomination forms and ballot information at the TUG office is 1 February 2015.

If there are more candidates than open positions, 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 then be counted by a disinterested party not affiliated with the TUG organization. The results of the election should be available by late May, and will be announced in a future issue of *TUGboat*, on the TUG web site, and through various TpX-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; these signatures may be sent separately.

**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.

**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**.

The undersigned TUG members support this nomination:

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1. ________________________________
   (please print)
   ________________________________
   (signature) ______________________
   (date)

2. ________________________________
   (please print)
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   (signature) ______________________
   (date)
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Return this nomination form to the TUG office by postal mail, fax, or scanned and submitted by email. 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. The supplementary material may be sent separately from the form; more details in the main notice text.

It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that this deadline is met. Under no circumstances will incomplete applications be accepted. If you have any questions about the election process, please contact the TUG office or Election Committee.

- nomination form
- photograph
- biography/personal statement

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