

AIC Director Position Description



Position title: Director

Term of Office: To be determined in regulation (currently 3 years)

Purpose of the Position: The Agricultural Institute of Canada Board of Directors sets the vision and direction for the organization through policy development and ensuring the Institute is fulfilling its mission and achieving its goals through the activities of the Board and its committees

Vision of a Director

Individuals sharing a commitment to the profession of scientific agriculture, agrology and the future of a thriving national agri-food sector in Canada.

Mission of a Director

The AIC is a catalyst for informing the debate on issues affecting the science of agriculture and the profession of agrology. AIC is committed to building a strong national network among the member organizations, national agri-food stakeholders, federal government departments and the wider Canadian and international agri-food community.

Position responsibilities

Each member of the board of directors of the AIC:

- Actively participates in and/or chairs a committee of the board as part of the team, develops short and long terms goals and strategies that are consistent with the vision and mission of the Institute
- Participates in the development of board policy
- Identifies and cultivates potential board and committee members in cooperation with the member organizations
- Assists in program planning and implementation of the Institute activities
- Seeks opportunities to market and publicize AIC events and activities
- Shares skills and resources to support activities of the AIC
- Keeps informed about the Institute and issues as they affect members, sponsors, and the Institute

Qualifications required for this position

- AIC membership
- Demonstrated leadership ability
- Dedication to enhancing the science of agriculture and enhancing the profession of agrology at the national level
- Knowledge and commitment to AIC's vision, mission and goals
- Ability to work with a diverse group of stakeholders

Benefits

- Involvement in activities at the national level
- Opportunities to share and develop skills and networks
- Opportunities to make a difference in a meaningful way in the lives of the present and future generations of people involved in the profession agricultural science and agrology.
- AIC reimburses all board members for travel and accommodation to attend AIC board meetings.
- Interaction with committed volunteers, professionals, sponsors, business and like minded organizations

Time Requirements

- Participation in monthly or bi-monthly board conference calls
- Attendance at two in-person AIC board meetings per year
- Participation in the AIC Annual General Meeting
- Participation in committee meetings as required
- Participation when possible in AIC sponsored and AIC Member organization's activities and events

Time and Location of Meetings and Events

- In-person board meetings are usually held in the spring and fall and in conjunction with other events when possible. All other meetings are held by teleconference call.
- Email communication is critical to board work

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