

AYSO SECTION 1 DIRECTOR ELECTION – 2026

In accordance with AYSO National Bylaws and executive member appointment records, the term of the current Section 1 Director ends on June 30, 2026. Therefore, the nomination period for the position of Section 1 Director for the 3-year term beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2029, is open effective January 25, 2026, and nominations will be accepted through June 5, 2026.

The Nominating Committee consists of all Area Directors in Section 1. The Committee is seeking names of interested candidates. The members of the nominating Committee will verify eligibility, and potential candidates will be invited to address the Area Directors at the regularly scheduled Section 1 Board Meeting June 9, 2026. The election for the position of Section Director will take place immediately following. If there is more than one candidate, Area Directors will vote via secret ballot.

The criteria for candidate qualifications include:

- 1) five years' experience within the AYSO organization at the level of Regional Commissioner or Area Director,
- 2) demonstrate qualities of leadership and diplomacy,
- 3) personal flexibility, time, and commitment essential to foster a congenial and supportive relationship within the Section,
- 4) currently registered AYSO volunteer in good standing.

The Section Director Job Description can be found at https://wiki.ayso.org/wiki/Category:Section_Director.

Executive Members within Section 1 are encouraged to submit recommendations of potential candidates through your respective Area Director. Nominations must be submitted to Committee Chairperson Matthew Skoll at sma@aysos1.org no later than June 5, 2026.

AYSO National Bylaws

ARTICLE VII: SPECIAL DIRECTORS

SECTION 7.01 SECTION DIRECTOR

A Section Director shall be nominated by themselves and the Area Directors within each Section. Such nomination shall be submitted to the National Board of Directors for its consideration. The National Board of Directors shall have the discretion whether or not to appoint the nominee as Section Director, and shall have the discretion to make the appointment for a term of three years or for such shorter time period as the National Board of Directors deems appropriate in its sole discretion. Each Section Director shall:

- a) Report to the Board and be responsible for the performance and growth of his or her Section and all inter-Area activities within such Section.
- b) Organize and maintain volunteer staff to assure adequate support and services to the Area in his or her Section.
- c) Be the official spokesperson for the Section with respect to all AYSO matters, including, without limitation, publicity, outside development, business systems and budgets.
- d) Be responsible for such other matters that directly relate to the operation of the Section, and
- e) Oversee dispute resolution within the Section.
- f) A Section Director may be suspended or removed by the Board.