Call for Nominations
2017 Committee Positions

The Society of Biblical Literature is a member-run learned society. Its governance structure depends on the community of volunteer scholars who quite literally take turns leading the organization. Over one-thousand members serve every year, for various terms of office, in many different areas, in order to support SBL’s mission of fostering biblical scholarship. Some positions are initiated by members as they propose book series or program units (and serve as editors and chairs). Members support editors and chairs by serving on book series editorial boards or program unit steering committees. Some work is done in an advisory fashion, or on an ad hoc board that addresses new challenges and opportunities. Still other groups are standing committees, and their members assist with the ongoing programs, policies, and business matters of the Society. For a list of the various committees and boards, see http://sbl-site.org/SBLcommittees.aspx (select a committee to read its description).

The Nominating Committee reviews nominations and nominates to Council for election members of standing committees. The Nominating Committee also nominates to the Society for election at the Annual Business Meeting the President, Vice-President, and Council members. Nominating Committee does much work in advance, and in 2016 it will begin nominating members for service beginning in 2017. The following committees will have open positions:

- Council
- Nominating Committee
- Finance Committee
- Annual Meeting Program Committee
- International Meeting Program Committee
- Research and Publications Committee
- Status of Women in the Professions Committee
- Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession

SBL Members are encouraged and invited to submit nominations to fill open positions on SBL committees and boards. Nominations are accepted throughout the year. All nominees must be members in good standing of SBL.

Nominations should include:
- Name of nominee and contact information
- Position nominated for and qualifications for that position
- An academic reference, and if possible a copy of the nominee’s curriculum vitae

How to nominate:
- Email: nominations@sbl-site.org
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