Call for Nominations

Established in 1880, the Society of Biblical Literature is a member-run learned society. Members take turns leading the organization. Hundreds of members serve every year, for various offices. They serve in these different areas to advance SBL’s mission of fostering biblical scholarship. Members propose book series or program units and can therefore serve as editors or chairs. 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 of the Society. For a list of the various committees and boards, see https://www.sbl-site.org/aboutus/committees.aspx (select a committee to read its description).

SBL Members can 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. Members can even nominate themselves to serve in these positions.

The Nominating Committee reviews nominations and forwards a list to Council for election. The Nominating Committee also nominates to the Society for election at the Annual Business Meeting the President, Vice-President, and Council members. The Program Committee nominates and votes on Program Unit Chairs and reports their decisions to the Nominating Committee and Council. The Research and Publications Committee nominates and votes on Editors and reports their decisions to the Nominating Committee and Council. The Annual Business Meeting receives a report of all votes by the Council, Research and Publications, and Program Committee. For more about the work of the Nominating Committee, see pp. 80-83 in the SBL Policy Manual.

Nominations should include a brief description of why the nominee should be considered for each committee. Submit your nominations now!

For questions, please email nominations@sbl-site.org.