Call for Nominations

The Society of Biblical Literature is a member-run learned society, established in 1880. Its governance structure depends on the community of volunteer scholars who quite literally take turns leading the organization. Hundreds of members serve every year, for various offices, in many different areas, in order to advance 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 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 matters 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 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.

The Nominating Committee reviews nominations and nominates to Council for election members of standing committees and representatives to other organizations as required. The Nominating Committee also nominates to the Society for election at the Annual Business Meeting the President, Vice-President, and Council members. Program Committee nominates and votes on Program Unit Chairs and reports to Nominating Committee and Council. Research and Publications Committee nominates and votes on Editors and reports to Nominating Committee and Council. The Annual Business Meeting receives a report of all votes by Council, Research and Publications, and Program Committee.

For more about the work of the Nominating Committee, see pp. 75-78 in the SBL Policy Manual.

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 vita

How to nominate:
- Email: nominations@sbl-site.org
- Post: Society of Biblical Literature
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  Atlanta, Georgia 30329
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