



Date: October 30, 2013
To: SWAN Member Libraries
From: Aaron Skog, SWAN Executive Director
Re: SWAN Board Special Election

Introduction

SWAN has an open position on the SWAN Board effective immediately. The position of “At-Large” library director has been vacated by Christine Kuhn who has left her position at Westmont Public Library to pursue a library business consulting career. Christine regrets leaving the SWAN Board but hopes to continue helping libraries in a different capacity. [SWAN Bylaws](#) require a special election to be held to fill the vacated position on the Board.

The SWAN board is comprised of seven library directors elected from the Full Member libraries in SWAN. Board members responsibilities include:

- Acting on issues affecting the long-term future of SWAN
- Monitoring SWAN’s finances and the overall financial health of SWAN
- Maintaining open lines of communication with the SWAN membership

While SWAN Full Member libraries are arranged into [Groups A, B, and C](#), the At-Large representative is elected from the 77 Full Member libraries in SWAN. The representative elected will serve as At-Large until June 30, 2014 and can run for re-election for a second 3-year term.

Current Board Representation& Composition

Board Member	Governance Group	Term Expires
Melissa Gardner, Broadview Public Library	Group A	July 1, 2015
Sheila Sosnicki, Palos Park Public Library	Group A	July 1, 2016
Pierre Gregoire, Frankfort Public Library	Group B	July 1, 2016
Rodger Brayden, Forest Park Public Library	Group B	July 1, 2016
Jim Deiters, Oak Lawn Public Library	Group C	July 1, 2015
Rich Wolff, Tinley Park Public Library	Group C	July 1, 2015
<i>Open for special election</i>	At-large	July 1, 2014

Submit Your Statement of Interest Today!

The SWAN Board Nominating Committee has approached several library directors interested in running in the special election, however any director can submit a statement of interest for this election. The goal is to have an open process. Any library director/administrator interested in running for the Board should fill out the form below:

<http://support.swanlibraries.net/news/2013-10-30/swan-board-special-election>

Board Election Timeline

Self-nominations will begin October 30th and end November 13th at 12:00 pm. The election will take place for two weeks, Monday November 18th - November 29th (5:00pm close).The new board will be announced the week of December 2nd via SWANcom.