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Information for Prospective Board Member Candidates

The Western Institute for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (WIDHH) is the largest non-profit agency of its kind in Western Canada. In operation since 1956, WIDHH strives to offer high quality services to Deaf, Deafened and Hard of Hearing individuals through innovative products, services and programs that help to provide accessibility equal to that of the hearing public.

We ask that all prospective candidates consider the expectations of Board services prior to nomination. A Board is a group of individuals who serve voluntarily to make decisions, to carry out fiscal responsibilities and determine policies that guide and support the organization.

The expectations of Board Members are to demonstrate:

- A sincere conviction that the organization performs a useful public service.
- A concern with the organization's place in the over-all community program.
- A sense of financial responsibility for the wise spending of donated funds.

The duties of a Board Member are to:

- Attend and participate in Board meetings, bi-monthly, if elected to be on the Executive Committee, monthly.
- Be objective and willing to listen with an open mind.
- Give the highest priority to the "total" organization.
- Help the Board at all times, to come to a group decision.
- Be aware of changing needs in the community.
- Perform one's own job effectively by constantly evaluating one's own changing role and contribution to the Board.

The final date for nominations to be submitted is February 28, 2010.

If you have any questions please contact Susan Masters, Executive Director at exdir@widhh.com or Nominations Committee Chairperson, Ruth Warick at, info@widhh.com.



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BOARD OF DIRECTORS - NOMINATION FORM

I hereby indicate my willingness to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the Western Institute for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. If elected, I will serve to the best of my ability and abide by the Constitution and By-laws of WIDHH.

I am a member in good standing of WIDHH

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Nominators:

1. _____ (Please Print Name) I am a member in good standing of WIDHH

Signed: _____ Date: _____

2. _____ (Please Print Name) I am a member in good standing of WIDHH

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Please write a *brief* biographical account of the nominee and a statement of interest in serving on the Board (1 paragraph).
