

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP REVIEW

Governance Committee

May 8, 2026

ACTION REQUESTED

No action is requested. This item is for information and discussion.

PREVIOUS ACTION

None

CODE SECTION 6.3

“...The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President (if any), Secretary, Treasurer, immediate past President of the Board of Directors and Mayor of the largest city in the five-county region. Executive Committee membership shall also include at least one member of the governing officers of each county. The Mayor of the largest city in the five-county region shall not be considered a county representative for this purpose...”

MEMBERSHIP

Officers

- President
- First Vice President
- Second Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Immediate Past President

Governing Officers

- Mayor of the largest city
- Cuyahoga County
- Lake County
- Lorain County
- Geauga County
- Medina County

HISTORY

- Since 2000, Executive Committee has ranged from 6 to 10 members, depending on who the Board officers were
- Governance Committee has intentionally nominated officers with consideration of geographic representation

EXAMPLE

2012 Membership

1. Ed Jerse, Dir. Regional Collaboration, Cuyahoga County, Chair (*by virtue of office – Pres*)
2. Frank Jackson, City of Cleveland (*by virtue of office – 1st VP*)
3. Mary Samide, Geauga County (*by virtue of office – 2nd VP*)
4. Ted Kalo, Lorain County (*by virtue of office - Sec*)
5. James Gills, Engineer, Lake County (*by virtue of office - Treas*)
6. Stephen Hambley, Medina County (*by virtue of office – Past Pres*)
7. Ed FitzGerald, County Executive, Cuyahoga County (*as a “governing officer” for Cuyahoga*)
8. Robert Aufuldish, Commissioner, Lake County (*as a “governing officer” for Lake*)

OPTION 1

- The Governance Committee can, based on the existing text of the Code and in their role as Nominating Committee, recommend to the Board any slate of officers.
- In this scenario, the Executive Committee would be comprised of all the Board officers and any additional members necessary to satisfy the geographic representation requirement including the Mayor of Cleveland allowing for six to twelve members.

OPTION 2

- Recommend a Code amendment to codify the current practice.
- For example, amending Section 4.3 to explicitly state that officer positions rotate between members representing each county and the city of Cleveland and amend Section 6.3 that these officers are the members of the Executive Committee.

OPTION 3

- Recommend a Code amendment to Section 6.3 and/or Section 4.3 to change the current practice and existing requirements while still explicitly stating who can serve as a Board officer and Executive Committee member and the number of members

OPTION 4

- The membership of subcommittees and committees includes the Chair of any councils or subcommittees that report to that group
- NOACA's HR, Personnel, and Organizational Development Subcommittee currently reports directly to the Executive Committee
- Should this subcommittee become permanent, the Chair could be added as a member of the Executive Committee, ensuring a minimum of seven members



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