

Board of Directors Nominations

Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce's Mission: The Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce — a membership-driven organization — shall serve as a catalyst for business development in Sullivan County and the region and is here to assist, support, promote and advocate on behalf of our member business community.

A Board of Directors governs the business, property, and affairs of the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce. The Board is responsible for establishing policy, budgets, and The guidance of affairs. The Board is composed of up to twenty-three (23) persons who shall be members in good standing of the Chamber. Directors are elected for a term of three (3) years which are staggered so that approximately one-third of the directors are elected each year. However, because of the suspension of elections during the COVID-19 pandemic and for the purpose of staggering the terms of Directors, following the 2021 Board of Directors election, the five (5) candidates who receive the highest number of votes will be assigned a first term of three (3) years, the two (2) candidates who receive the lowest number of votes will be assigned a first term of one (1) year, and the remaining candidates will be assigned a first term of two (2) years. After the first term as described in the preceding sentence, all subsequent terms shall be for three (3) years.

The Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for members willing to be considered to serve on the Board of Directors. All eligible nominees will be considered by the nominating committee, chaired by Heinrich Strauch, Treasurer of the Board. Nominations may be sent to Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce, attention: Geri Neumann office@catskills.com or faxed to 845-791-4220.

To be considered, nominees must be members in good standing.

Please submit a resume with this form filled out.

Board of Directors Interest Statement

Contact information:

Nominee _____

Title _____

Name and type of business _____

Address _____

City _____ ZIP Code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Chamber Member Since _____ No. of Employees _____

Volunteer Leadership Experience _____

Relevant education, career experiences, leadership skills, achievements _____

The Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce recognizes that it is the voice of a unified business community, and that by becoming active in several varied arenas the Chamber can achieve the following goals and objectives:

- Play a significant role in the expansion of existing businesses and the attraction of new enterprises that will create jobs and result in economic growth for the area.
- Assist in developing benefits that will assist member businesses in developing success.
- Foster partnerships and relationships with other organizations who wish to meet these opportunities and challenges within Sullivan County.

By submitting this form you understand that you are making a commitment to represent your business as well as the other businesses members involved in the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce.

All candidates seeking nomination to the Board are **required to submit this form with a resume.**



Please answer the following questions; attach additional sheet if necessary.

Will you have the time to devote to the Chamber Board; More than attending meetings and Chamber functions? _____

What do you feel the role of the Chamber should be? _____

What do you feel are presently the Chamber's strong points? _____

In what areas do you feel the Chamber has room for improvement? _____

In what manner do you feel you can help strengthen the Chamber? _____

Is there any special item or issue you would like to see the Chamber address? _____

What talents do you bring to the Board? _____

In what area of the Chamber activities would you like to serve? _____

What do you feel are your strong points (organization, fundraising, speaking, etc.)? _____

Are you currently serving on any other Boards of Directors? Please list. _____

Is there anything else you would like to tell the Nominating Committee? _____

Signed: _____

Requirements of Board Members

Please initial in the space provided indicating that you have read and understand the requirement.

_____ The term of office is three years.

_____ The Board of Directors meets monthly, usually on the third Tuesday, from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m.

_____ Officers are members of the Executive Committee and as such may meet at additional times, as needed.

_____ All Board Members are expected to take an active leadership role in the Chamber, which may include serving on/chairing a committee.

_____ It is estimated that the time commitment for a Board Member is approximately four (4) hours a month.

_____ Since the Board of Directors is responsible for governing the functions of the Chamber, Board Members are expected to attend as many Chamber functions as possible. It is essential for Board Members to be connected to the membership of the Chamber through attendance at meetings, activities and programs of the Chamber so they can make informed decisions.



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