Dear Prospective OSBA Board Member

You may have received a separate letter, information about the duties and responsibilities of the position you are applying for and being considered for. Additionally, this letter contains a list of questions that are to be used in creating a biography that will appear in the OSBA Quarterly Newsletter. The biography you create will allow the OSBA membership the opportunity to get to know you and make a more intelligent voting decision. This biography must be submitted to the Nominating Chairman no later than September 10 to meet the publication deadline. The six topics you are to use are as follows:

1. List any past experiences you might have in bringing a project to completion.
   I have been instrumental or started many different programs and efforts in OSBA, including, but not limited to:
   - 4H Partnership program – Supplies 4H students with equipment and education.
   - Affiliate Program – Grants access to insurance and 501c3 status for local associations plus other benefits.
   - Traveling Speaker Program – Have participated not only as a speaker, but in developing material for the program.
   - Apiary Diagnostic Kit – Testing and development, sourcing and organizing materials as well as assembling the kits, and developed portions of the manual.
   - OSBA Fall Conference – Helped build it form about 100 attendees and a handful of vendors to 600+ attendees and dozens of vendors.
   - Beginning beekeeping outreach – Supplying information to new beekeepers taking classes at local associations.
   - Membership drives/renewal notices as well as online renewals which helped build the membership from around 600 to 1800+.
   - Developed and maintains the OSBA website for many years.
   - Started the swarm removal list and wrote the software for the website.
   - Prepared documents such as the Best Management Practices and Model Beekeeping Ordinance

2. List any special skills you might have that would be useful to OSBA.

3. List any Beekeeping Clubs you belong to and committees and leadership roles in which you have been involved.
   - Northwest Ohio Beekeepers Association – Vice President
   - Ohio State Beekeepers Association – Secretary
   - Ohio State Beekeepers Association – Vice-President
   - Ohio State Beekeepers Association - President
   - Ohio State Beekeepers Association – Member and chair of various committees.
4. Will you be able to make the necessary time commitment and be accessible as a Board Member? Yes

5. Have you read and do you understand the job and responsibilities of your position? Yes, and I have done the job in the past.

6. After looking at the OSBA Committee List (in the Newsletter and on OSBA’s website), what Committee(s) do you have willingness to be a committee member?

Affiliate, Newsletter, Education, 4H and others as needed. Note that if elected, the president is an official member of all committees.

http://www.ohiostatebeekeepers.org/resources/osba-newsletters/ and Committees
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From the OSBA Nominating Committee, the OSBA Board and beekeepers throughout Ohio I want to thank you for becoming involved. Your involvement will greatly benefit you, your area and OSBA.

Respectfully submitted,

OSBA Nominating Committee