## CONNECTICUT AFTER SCHOOL NETWORK

## **Board of Directors Candidate Information Sheet**

The vision of the Connecticut After School Network is that every Connecticut child and youth will have the opportunity to participate in high quality, affordable after school programs. Our mission is to lead, educate and advocate for excellence in the after school field by building professionalism, strengthening program quality and increasing availability and affordability.

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut After School Network. Please complete this information sheet and return it via email to mdc@ctafterschoolnetwork.org (preferred) or regular mail: 12 Melrose Ave, Branford, CT 06405.

The Board is responsible for the governance, policies and financial oversight of the organization. Directors are expected to attend bi-monthly meetings, participate in committees and attend the annual meeting (May/June).

Contact Information:

Name:	5
Home Address:	
Employer:	3
Work Address:	
Home Phone:	
Cell Phone:	Fax:
1. Please indicate the education or skills	you can contribute to our board:
Business or Nonprofit Management	Law/Government Regulation
🖵 Technology	Lobbying/Public Policy
Professional Development/Training	Membership Development
Accounting/Finance	Marketing/Public Relations
(review/analysis/budget/investments)	Board/Policy Development
Fund-Raising/Grant Writing	Personnel Administration
🖵 Graphic Arts	Educational Research/Evaluation

Other (describe):\_\_\_\_\_

2. Briefly describe your relevant experience, including any related to after school programming, social-emotional learning, and/or early childhood education/services.

3. If applicable, briefly describe your knowledge of, and previous experience with the Connecticut After School Network.

4. Do you have any questions or comments for us?

Please return via email to mdc@ctafterschoolnetwork.org. Thank you!

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## **Frequently Asked Questions**

Thank you for your interest in serving on Connecticut After School Network Board of Directors. The Network's formal Bylaws cover the make-up, duties, powers, terms of office and other details concerning our Board. The following is a less formal summary of information that is intended to answer frequently asked questions about the Connecticut After School Network's Board:

- 1. How many people serve on the Board of Directors? *The Board expanded from eight to fifteen members during the summer of 2007.*
- 2. Who elects members of the Board? *Professional individual and organizational members in good standing elect new members to the Board at their annual meeting. The Board of Directors votes to fill any vacancies.*

- 3. How long are the terms of each appointment? Each term is three years. Members may be re-appointed for a maximum of 3 consecutive terms. Terms are staggered.
- 4. What are Board members' responsibilities? *The Board is responsible for overall policy and direction of the organization, and delegates responsibility of day-to-day operations to the staff.*
- 5. What is the time commitment?

Board meetings are generally one and half to two hours long, held bi-monthly in September, November, January (virtual meeting), March and May. Meeting location is established by the Board Chair. In June or July, there is usually a one day organizational planning retreat in lieu of a regular meeting. Committee meetings are primarily virtual meetings, and each board member is expected to participate in at least one committee. Board members are also encouraged to participate (at no cost to themselves) in the different events, conferences and meetings held by the Network throughout the state.

- 6. What about expenses for Board members? *Members are not paid an honorarium for their services, nor are they reimbursed for their travel to and from meetings.*
- 7. Where can I get more information? *Please feel free to contact Michelle Doucette Cunningham, Executive Director at 860-730-*2941 (office) or 860-794-4978 (cell)