2025 Call for Board Members from Industry and Municipality within the Interlake



The Board shall be composed of <u>six municipal directors</u> and <u>six industry directors</u> elected from the members at the Annual General Meeting, together with the immediate past president.

PLEASE REVIEW THE BYLAWS RELATING TO BOARD COMPOSITION.

1) Nomination Process if the Municipality wishes to nominate a representative

Should the municipality wish to nominate a director to stand for election for one of the municipal board positions, the municipality (nominee) shall complete and submit the nomination application below no later than 14 days ahead of the Annual General Meeting.

2) Nomination Process for Industry Members

Should an industry member wish to nominate a director to stand for election for one of the industry board positions, the Nominee shall complete and submit the nomination application below no later than 14 days ahead of the Annual General Meeting.

At the meeting of the general membership, both municipal and industry members shall be entitled to one ballot to select up to six municipal directors and up to six industry directors.

The top six vote recipients in both the municipal and industry categories shall be elected to the Board of Directors. In the case of a tie, for filling all the director positions, a second ballot shall be issued representing only the tied candidates, and the candidate(s) receiving the most votes on the second ballot shall fill the remaining position(s). Additional nominations from the floor will be received for industry directors, but will not be received for municipal directors due to the individual Council requirement to designate the nominee.

DEADLINE TO APPLY SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

At the meeting of the general membership, each member municipality and industry member shall be entitled to one ballot to select up to six municipal directors and up to six industry directors. The top six vote recipients in both the municipal and industry categories shall be elected to the Board of Directors. In the case of a tie, for filling all the director positions, a second ballot shall be issued representing only the tied candidates, and the candidate(s) receiving the most votes on the second ballot shall fill the remaining position(s). Additional nominations from the floor will be received for industry directors, but will not be received for municipal directors due to the individual Council requirement to designate the nominee. Please ensure a motion to appoint and a resolution are provided.

Information About Interlake Tourism Association

The Interlake Tourism Association (ITA) is a non-profit, membership-driven organization. Our new Vision and Mission statements reflect well on the goals of the association. The ITA was incorporated on December 14, 1992, by a group of community volunteers.

Since its incorporation, the ITA has built a membership of approximately 100 members who wish to contribute to the tourism industry within the Interlake Region. The ITA is a non-profit organization, and our CRA # is 898891981MC0001.

The mission of Interlake Tourism Association Inc. (ITA) is: To entice visitors by sharing our stories, showcasing the passion of our people, and revealing the history of our inland oceans and infinite possibilities.

The ITA accomplishes its mission through its Association Priorities:

- 1. Assist in marketing and promoting the Interlake region and its members
- 2. Enhance and build regional memberships and strengths
- 3. Provide a Regional Voice in the tourism industry
- 4. Provide training and networking opportunities for members
- 5. Two levels of membership
 - Municipal/Town/First Nations
 - Industry may include business or groups/organizations

TIME COMMITMENT

- The Board holds meetings 4-6 times per year. They are usually 1 hour in length.
- The Annual General Meeting of the Association is held once a year and includes the election of the Board. It is approximately 90 minutes in length.
- In addition, special meetings or training of the Association may be called from time to time.
- Board members are expected to be timely and present at every meeting, with a maximum of two absences from board meetings.

The appointee must have sufficient time flexibility to attend these meetings or participate in additional committees.

PERSONAL BACKGROUND

As there is a lot to learn very quickly, it is desirable to have an appointee who believes strongly in the value of Tourism and has a background in Tourism, Marketing or the Nonprofit sector. It would be an asset for the appointee to possess a general understanding of tourism marketing, as well as knowledge in understanding financial statements and board members' roles and responsibilities. This will allow for active participation.

The ITA looks forward to working with you.

Please contact Dee King at 204-322-5378 or email <u>admin@interlaketourism.com</u> with any questions.

Thanks,
Dee King
Manager
Interlake Tourism Association

2025 ITA BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPLICATION FORM

Please complete this form and email it to admin@interlaketourism.com Attach additional sheets or information (as needed)

Only ITA Voting Member Municipalities and Industry members in good standing are eligible for any ITA Director/Board positions.

ITA Voting Members are defined as:

Any individual, business, organization or municipality directly or indirectly engaged or interested in tourism, marketing and development within the region with a membership in the Association. Each paid member shall be entitled to only ONE vote.

ITA Voting Members are considered to be in good standing if they have paid the annual membership subscription fees established by the Board.

Any Member who has a debt owing to the Association for more than ninety days is considered not to be In Good Standing.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

Submit this form by email to:

Subject: ITA Nominations Committee Email: admin@interlaketourism.com

The Nominations Committee will determine that the Voting Member requirements and bylaws have been met before the AGM.

Thank you for your interest and support.

Interlake Tourism | Nominee Form 2025 Board of Directors

Organization or Municipality:
Representative Name:
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mail:
lease put a checkmark next to the following statements that you agree with
☐ I hereby certify that the information set out by me in this document is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, or true and correct about the person I am nominating.
☐ I or the person I am nominating will assist in developing and maintaining positive relations among the Board, committees, consultant members, and community to enhance the Interlake Tourism Association's mission.
☐ I or the person I am nominating will attend Board meetings, committee meetings, Annual General Meetings, Board orientation, strategic planning, and other workshops/training programs necessary for Board development.
☐ I or the person I am nominating will be able to commit up to 3 hours a month for meeting activities.
 □ I or the person I am nominating have tourism industry knowledge and experience. □ I or the person I am nominating have the knowledge and skills in areas of Board
governance, policy, finance, programs, human resources and public relations. I or the person I am nominating will be willing to serve on one or more committees and hold a portfolio.
☐ I or the person I am nominating, as a Voting Member in good standing with ITA, would like to put my or their name forward to be a Director on the ITA Board of Directors for the upcoming election term.
☐ I or the person I am nominating understand(s) that Board members are expected to be timely and present at every meeting with a maximum of two absences from board meetings

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The ITA Board is an exciting and engaged working board.

Board members are asked to participate in at least 4 quarterly meetings and one Annual General Meeting per year. They are also encouraged to participate in committee meetings, which occur outside of regular board meetings either in-person, by phone or online.

Board members are expected to be timely and present at every meeting, with a maximum of two absences from board meetings. Hours of commitment may vary between 2-3 hours per month. Board members are expected to commit to the role for a minimum of two years.

By my signature, I certify that the information contained within this application and all supporting documents (i.e., motion, resolution, recommendation, etc.) is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. An electronic signature is accepted.

Signature:	 	 	
Date:			