

NEHA NEWS

NEHA 2019 General Election Results

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Elections are a critical part of the democratic process and are one way to provide members a voice in the running of their organization. NEHA voting members have an opportunity to vote for candidates of contested board of director and regional vice-president (RVP) positions, as well as cast votes regarding proposed Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws changes. National officers of NEHA's board of directors serve a 1-year term in each officer position (second vice-president, first vice-president, president-elect, president, and immediate past-president) for a total of 5 years. Regional vice-presidents serve 3-year terms.

Eligible voters were encouraged to vote during the month of March. The deadline to vote was April 1, 2019. The following are results from the 2019 general election.

Second Vice-President

There were two qualified candidates for the second vice-president position: D. Gary Brown, DrPH, CIH, RS, DAAS and Shelly Wallingford, MS, REHS. All eligible NEHA members were asked to vote for the position of second vice-president and Brown received the majority of votes. Both candidate profiles were published in the March 2019 *Journal of Environmental Health* and on NEHA's website. Brown will assume the second vice-president position at the close of the NEHA 2019 Annual Educational Conference (AEC) & Exhibition in Nashville, Tennessee, in July 2019.

Regional Vice-Presidents

NEHA's membership is broken down into nine regions that represent U.S. geographic areas, as well as members in the U.S. military and abroad. The terms of three RVP positions expire in 2019—

Region 4: Kim Carlton; Region 6: Lynne Madison; and Region 9: Larry Ramdin.

Regions 4 and 9 had one eligible candidate and did not appear on the election ballot. Each of these candidates will automatically assume their RVP roles at the 2019 AEC in July. There were three candidates for Region 6: Nichole (Niki) D. Lemin, MS, RS/REHS, MEP; Jason W. Marion, MSB, MSPH, PhD; and Jason Ravenscroft, MPH, REHS. NEHA members residing in Region 6 were able to vote for the candidates via the election ballot and Lemin received the majority of votes.

The unopposed and elected individuals will assume their positions at the close of the 2019 AEC and their terms will expire in 2022. All candidate profiles were published in the March 2019 *Journal of Environmental Health* and on NEHA's website. The new (and returning) RVPs are as follows:

- Region 4: Kim Carlton, MPH, REHS, CFOI, Minnesota (Region 4 includes Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin);
- Region 6: Niki Lemin, MS, RS/REHS, MEP, Ohio (Region 6 includes Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, and Ohio); and
- Region 9: Larry Ramdin, REHS, CP-FS, HHS, Massachusetts (Region 9 includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont).

A listing of current NEHA national officers and RVPs, along with state breakdowns for each region, can be found on page 55. More information about NEHA's governance, including its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, the election process, and associated deadlines, can be found at www.neha.org/about-neha/governance.

Thank you to all members who participated in this year's election! 🙏



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