



CALL FOR MEMBERS

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Do you have a passion for business? Are you committed to the advancement of Aboriginal business and economic development in Northern Ontario? The NADF Board of Directors is inviting qualified individuals to submit their applications to serve as Board Members.

Incorporated in 1984, NADF is a not-for-profit Aboriginal Financial Institution dedicated to promoting entrepreneurship and advancing Aboriginal business and economic development in Northern Ontario¹.

NADF's Board membership is comprised of business leaders, professionals, and members of the public who are dedicated to advancing the organization's Mission and Vision.

Mission

To advance the wellbeing of Aboriginal People in Northern Ontario through business and economic development.

Vision

Aboriginal Prosperity

Board Members shall attend the Annual General Meeting and have the right to exercise one (1) vote for any business transacted at the meeting, including electing directors, approving fiscal year-end financial statements, appointing the auditor for the ensuing year, and electing the Chair and Vice Chair.

Board Members are also eligible to be nominated as a candidate for Director elections. If elected as a Director, a Board Member shall serve as a Director for a 3-year term and may serve for a maximum of four (4) successive terms. Members may also be appointed to fill a vacancy on the Board of Directors and shall complete the remainder of that term.

The affairs of the Corporation are governed by its Board of Directors ("the Board"). The Board is comprised of nine (9) Board Members who are ultimately responsible and accountable for ensuring that the Corporation achieves the objects as stated in the Letters Patent. The Board, as a trustee, is responsible to act on behalf of the residents of Ontario, to develop explicit governing policies and ensure executive performance.

The Board shall maintain its focus on long-term outcomes and provide strategic leadership to the Corporation. The Board shall meet regularly at least five (5) times per year, with at least 2 of the meetings being in person. The Board will also convene at various times throughout the year to make decisions on loan requests of more than \$150,000 that are medium or greater risk.

¹ For NADF purposes, Northern Ontario is defined as the territories of Treaty 9, Treaty 5, Treaty 3, and Robinson-Superior 1850

The Board is expected to responsibly represent NADF to their respective communities and to advocate for NADF's mission, programs, and services as appropriate.

Desired qualifications and skills:

- have relevant education and/or work experience related to finance, business and/or economic development;
- have current knowledge of the challenges and opportunities for business and economic development in Northern Ontario First Nations, including remote First Nations;
- ability to analyze information, problem-solve, and make decisions;
- strategic thinker and leader;
- strong communication skills;
- ability to commit to the time commitment required;
- willing to prepare for and attend board and committee meetings; and
- previous board experience is an asset.

To be considered for Membership, applicants must also meet the following criteria:

You:

- have not personally filed for bankruptcy.
- do not have a criminal record.
- have not been declared incapable under the laws of a Canadian province or territory, or by a court in a jurisdiction outside Canada.
- are at least 18 years old.
- do not hold a political position.

Preference shall be given to individuals who demonstrate a genuine interest in advancing the well-being of Aboriginal People in Northern Ontario through business and economic development.

How to Apply:

Submit the following:

1. Cover letter summarizing desired qualifications and skills.
2. Detailed resume outlining desired qualifications and skills.
3. Three (3) work-related references

How to Submit:

Email: member@nadf.org

Mail: **NADF Mark "Confidential"**
Attn: NADF Board of Directors
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Fort William First Nation, ON
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Deadline to Apply: Friday, August 18, 2023 (4:00 PM EDT)