

# 2017 NATIONAL SKI PATROL BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

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# 2017 NSP BOARD ELECTION

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- 2017 NSB Board Election – October 16 – December 1, 2017
- As a member of the National Ski Patrol, the NSP Board Elections is ***your*** opportunity to make your voice heard by electing candidates that you believe will move the organization in the direction that best meets the better interest of the entire membership and our industry partners
- Is your vote important? **ABSOLUTELY!!!**
  - Over the past several elections as few as 75 votes would have made a significant change in the structure of the board



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- This election there are 13 candidates on the ballot for 5 open positions on the board
  - Eastern Division – 4 candidates
  - Southern Division – 1 candidate
  - Rocky Mountain Division – 2 candidates
  - Far West Division – 1 candidate
  - Inter Mountain Division – 2 candidates
  - Central Division – 1 candidate
  - Pacific Northwest Division – 1 candidate
  - European Division – 1 candidate



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## Central Division Position

- In the last NSP Board Election, Central Division's position was for a more diversified leadership - a better representation all Divisions on the NSP Board as well as committee members and national program directors and national advisors within the National organization.
- **THIS YEAR**, Central Division's position is to continue to support the move for a more diversified leadership on our NSP Board - both from Division representation as well as gender. There are still several Divisions, that are not represented on the board or at other levels in our NSP organization . (i.e., Far West, Pacific Northwest, Alaska and European).
- In addition, there are no female members currently active on the board.
- Central Division patrollers have supported candidates from other Divisions thus creating a more diverse Board with representation from many Divisions. We ask that you continue this to support this movement.



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## **VOTING IS AS SIMPLE AS 1 – 2 - 3**

- Simply log in to your member account on [www.nsp.org](http://www.nsp.org),
- Click on the “Members Resources” button in the blue bar
- Click on the big “2017 Board Election” button. - The election website will open where you can choose to view the candidates’ platform statements, ask candidate questions in the forum, or open your ballot and vote.
- You can vote for up to FIVE candidates and a proposed Bylaws amendment on a restructured voting policy.
- If you have any questions about the candidates, please contact your Region Patrol Director



# 2017 NSP BOARD ELECTION

## Be Informed - Know Your Candidates

- Go to [WWW.NSP.ORG](http://WWW.NSP.ORG)
- After signing in
- Click on “Member Resources”
- Click on “Board Election 2017”



The screenshot shows the NSP website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'ABOUT US', 'MEMBER RESOURCES', 'PROGRAMS', 'MEDIA', 'SAFETY', and 'GET INVOLVED'. Below this, there is a section for 'Member Resources' with a sidebar on the right containing links for 'Pro Deals', 'Online Store', 'Online Courses', 'Website FAQs', 'Education Resources', 'Instructor Resources', 'Forms and Documents', 'Governance', 'Course Schedule', 'Board Info', and 'Member Directory'. The main content area features several promotional tiles: 'SHOP NSP PRO DEALS!', 'SHOP THE NSP ONLINE SUMMER CATALOG', 'DEC Refresher, Outdoor First Care, Instructor Development', and 'Online Learning'. A 'Latest Headlines' section is visible, with a 'Member News' article dated 08/22/17 about Parker Riehle becoming the new president and CEO. A hand cursor is pointing to a blue tile labeled 'BOARD ELECTION 2017'.

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- Read the Candidates' Platform
  - Click on "CLICK HERE TO READ CANDIDATE..."

**2017 NSP BOARD ELECTION**

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**CLICK HERE TO READ CANDIDATE PLATFORM STATEMENTS AND APPLICATIONS**

**VOTE HERE**  
Starting 4pm MDT, October 16

**CLICK HERE TO ENTER THE CANDIDATE FORUM**  
**ASK QUESTIONS AND VOICE YOUR CONCERNS**

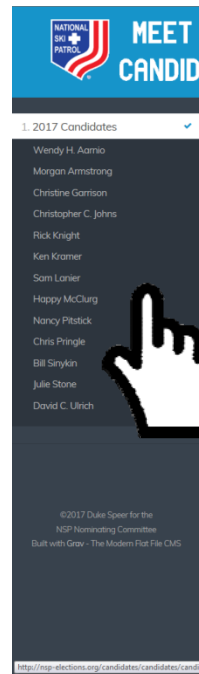
Member Resources

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- Read the Candidates' Platform
  - Click on each candidate to review
    - Application and resume
    - Questions and Answers
    - Candidate Statement



### 2017 Candidates

#### 2017 Board of Directors Election



In the following pages you may review the Applicants seeking to run for the NSP Board of Directors. Thirteen candidates are presented by the Nominating Committee, of which five will be elected as board members. Each NSP member may vote for five candidates.

For each applicant, you will find

- a page with their **Application and Resume**.
- a second page with **Questions and Answers** about how they best meet the needs of the board.
- a third page with their **Candidate Statement** as published with the Fall NSP Magazine.

Click the Arrows on the sides of the pages to easily page through the applications.



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- ASK THE CANDIDATE
  - Here is your opportunity to present questions to the candidates up for election to the NSP board

The screenshot shows the NSP website's header with navigation links: ABOUT US, MEMBER RESOURCES, PROGRAMS, MEDIA, SAFETY, GET INVOLVED. A search bar is visible with the text "Keyword Search". Below the header, a red banner reads "2017 NSP BOARD ELECTION".

The main content area contains the following text:

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Three buttons are displayed:

- Left button: "CLICK HERE TO READ CANDIDATE PLATFORMS AND STATEMENTS" (with a hand cursor pointing to it)
- Middle button: "VOTE HERE Starting 4pm MDT, October 16"
- Right button: "CLICK HERE TO ENTER THE CANDIDATE FORUM ASK QUESTIONS AND VOICE YOUR CONCERNS" (with a hand cursor pointing to it)

On the right side of the page, a "Member Resources" sidebar lists various links: Pro Deals, Online Store, Online Courses, Website FAQs, Education Resources, Instructor Resources, Forms and Documents, Governance, Course Schedule, Board Info, and Member Directory.

The bottom portion of the screenshot shows a forum page titled "NSP General Member Forums - Ask the Candidates 2017". It features a "Discussion topics" section with a post titled "\*Instructions\*" by Candace Harpaz, dated September 15, 2017. The post text reads: "To post a question of the candidates up for election to the NSP board of directors, click 'Create New Topic.' When the screen opens, enter your question title in the Title box, and then the detailed question in the Body field, then click Save." Below the post are links for "0 replies", "subscribe", and "report".



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Thank You

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