

COMMITTEE: Committee on Personnel and Nominations
SUBMITTED BY: Blain Mamiya
REPORTING PERIOD: 08/16/2025 – 03/21/2026

A. INTRODUCTION/OPENING COMMENTS

Our committee's purpose is to nominate DivCHED members for committee service and leadership opportunities within the Division. We seek to be inclusive of all members including chemical education practitioners and researchers across all levels of institutions as we try to match qualified individuals to service opportunities that they are interested in, have the appropriate skills to do and will benefit the Division.

B. INFORMATION SINCE LAST REPORT

- CPN thanks Christopher Bauer for their prior service on the committee, welcome back Laura Slocum and Rebecca Eikay for their second term and welcomes new members Jeff Raker and Sunita Thyagarajan. Welcome to Ryan Stowe, current Secretary/Councilor representing ExComm on CPN.
- CPN developed and presented the slate for the open Board positions at the Fall 2025 ACS meeting.
- CPN developed and presenting the election slates for the ExComm leadership positions of Chair-elect, Treasurer, and Councilor/Alternate Councilor (3 positions) at the Spring 2026 ACS meeting.
- CPN developed and presenting the AACT Representative nominations to ExComm at the Spring 2026 ACS meeting.
- CPN made recommendations for committee appointments.
 - Thank you to Heather Ryan for her work in the committee appointment process

C. PLAN(S) FOR FUTURE

- Chair Blain Mamiya is currently working on addressing the need for a Co-Chair who will be moving into the Co-Chair role in 2027 and into the Chair role in 2028.
- Our next major task will be to develop the election slate for open Board positions at the Fall 2026 meeting.
- The next major task will be developing the nominees for committee positions in October to fill committee roles starting January 2027.
- The committee proposed adding an associate's member to CPN and currently working on a Chair-Succession plan for CPN.
- The committee is currently working on developing a Statement of Purpose for CPN.

D. OTHER

- CPN strongly advises other division committees to continue developing chair succession planning within each committee to ensure smooth transition and continuity of committee work.
- CPN Strongly request the other committees communicate the needs of the committee when considering new committee members. CPN tries to populate the committees with diverse members to aid in the committee business.

