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The Committee will conduct a telephone interview (not to exceed ten minutes in length) with each candidate for office. The Committee is requesting that each candidate submit a written response to the following questions:

**1. What experience and education do you have that will most help you in this position?**

The financial and budgetary aspect of the treasurer role is supported by my:

- a. Math and accounting education listed as the following:
  - i. Statistics and multivariable calculus classes at the undergraduate level
  - ii. Business and accounting classes after chiropractic school at the community college level
  - iii. Biostatistics and public health program planning (including budgeting and data communication) classes at the master's level
- b. Accounting and financial experience listed as the following:
  - i. Managing my private practice business accounting for 15 years
  - ii. Managing household finances and investments for decades
  - iii. Overseeing budgetary issues for 6 years while a member of the Oregon Board of Chiropractic Examiners
  - iv. Overseeing (in my role as District I Director) and observing (as the Alternate District I Director) budgetary and investment issues during the FCLB Board of Directors meetings for 6 years
  - v. Working on department budgets with the Chief Clinical Officer at The CHP Group in my role as the Regional Medical Director for 3 years
  - vi. Presenting statistical findings, trends, and outcomes with oral and written reports, graphs, flow charts, and tables to committees and stakeholders in my role as Regional Medical Director for 3 years

The officer aspect of the treasurer role is supported by my:

- a. Ethics and leadership education listed as the following:
  - i. Ethics and leadership classes for public health professionals at the master's level
  - ii. Continuing education classes and training throughout my chiropractic career to include as a State Board member and FCLB Board of Directors member
- b. Ethics and leadership experience listed as the following:
  - i. Role of chair of the Credentialing Committee and member of many other committees as the Regional Medical Director for The CHP Group for 3 years
  - ii. Role of subcommittee member for the Health Evidence Review Commission of the Oregon Health Authority for 1.5 years
  - iii. Role of member and then Secretary of the Oregon Board of Chiropractic Examiners for 6 years

**2. What are the personal strengths which you will bring to the office you are seeking?**

I have an analytical mind and can categorize and translate complex systems into plain language that is useful for identifying the source of the problem and the potential solutions. I am also able to incorporate a variety of perspectives into a plan of action that can help a committee move forward. I enjoy problem solving and helping people in general, but most of all, I have a commitment to quality work and am dedicated to the future of the FCLB.

**3. Have you ever had any discipline or sanction imposed upon you by any state agency in any jurisdiction or on any professional license that you hold or have held, or in your performance as a public regulator or a board member on any professional board?**

No.

**4. What is your vision for the Federation? What do you see as the important issues facing our organization?**

The mission of the FCLB is focused on supporting our member Boards in their roles of public protection and oversight of the chiropractic profession. Therefore, the important issues facing the FCLB are those that the membership identifies as relevant.

Improving the elections process, increasing relevance and impact of the Annual Conference programming, and streamlining awards ceremonies have been issues brought up by the membership that the FCLB has oriented towards. Remaining true to our mission by supporting oversight of the chiropractic profession as it progresses, is another area in which the FCLB has put forth significant efforts.

My vision for the FCLB is to continue to be responsive to the needs of our membership, facilitate collegiality and lines of communication among our member Boards, and bring forth relevant, timely, and actionable information.

**5. Is there anything else you would like to add regarding FCLB and/or your candidacy?**

I love “talking shop” about regulation, but I also have trouble remembering names and may sometimes feel reserved or be lost in contemplation that can give off a false impression. I know this from the comments people make once they get to know me, or from when they see me singing karaoke and are surprised that someone who answers interview questions with a bulleted list can have so much fun.

I am running for treasurer because I enjoy the community that is the FCLB. I enjoy the friendships, meeting new Fellows and hearing their stories, connecting people together,

and fulfilling our mission. I see the Treasure position as a place where my skills and experiences can be an asset. I am invested in the FCLB and want to see it thrive.

Thank you for reviewing my information and considering me to be slated for the Officer role of Treasurer.

If you would kindly fax or e-mail your answers at your earliest convenience, it would be appreciated.

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