

Board of Directors Description and Qualifications

Making Florida better for people who *want* to bicycle and for people who *need* to bicycle

The Florida Bicycle Association Board of Directors governs Florida's only statewide membership organization dedicated to bicycle access and safety. In operation for three decades and supported by contributions, grants, and a portion of the "Share the Road" specialty tag proceeds, the Florida Bicycle Association:

- ✓ mobilizes volunteers and partners such as bike clubs and bike shops
- ✓ *advocates* for funding for bicycle infrastructure and policies for bicycle safety
- ✓ educates cyclists, motorists, and others on safe practices
- ✓ *assists* communities to become bicycle-friendly

The Florida Bicycle Association is adding qualified directors to our board with the goal of being one of Florida's best-supported and best-governed non-profits.

The ideal director:

- Is passionate about the way that cycling improves lives and communities, though does not have to be an active cyclist
- Brings skills including community, organization, and/or business leadership
- Understands and is committed to the role that advocacy and education organizations can play in securing public and private funding for bicycle infrastructure and safety
- Commits to supporting our annual budget by making annual contributions, identifying other donors, and raising funds
- Leverages personal and professional networks to help with business operations, communications, government relations, and planning
- Communicates our vision to the public and to other organizations that can help advance our cause



- Attends board and board committee meetings, reads board materials, and brings value to their board role
- Is willing to be called on to assist with advocacy, fundraising, and guidance to other organizations
- Is a values-oriented person striving to serve the common good while avoiding activities inconsistent with our mission and goals
- Is willing to make time for and travel to attend board meetings and events
- Enjoys the camaraderie of others and the fun inherent in our sport

The Board of Directors meets on Saturdays quarterly for three hours. Two meetings are in-person and may require in-state travel. In addition, four one-hour interim meetings take place by conference/video call after business hours. Regular meetings are scheduled a year in advance.

Directors are elected to two-year terms and may serve up to three consecutive terms. Officers are elected at the annual meeting and serve for one year. The association carries directors' and officers' insurance. Our by-laws allow up to 11 directors.

If you are interested in advancing the cause of cyclists by serving on the Florida Bicycle Association Board of Directors, send a letter of interest and bio to Courtney Reynolds, Vice-President at <u>careynolds2016@gmail.com</u>.