



2027 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS

If you would like to be considered for a position on the Board of Directors, please complete and return the application form.

The criteria for serving as a member of the Board of Directors:

- Must be a REALTOR®, in good standing.
- Must be able to serve for a term of three (3) years.
 - inclusive of mandatory Installation
 - Inclusive of mandatory Leadership training
- Must commit to the use of email as the primary communication tool of the Board of Directors.
- Must exhibit leadership dynamics and vision for the future of the Association.
- No former employee of the Association, or its predecessors, who was terminated for cause will be eligible for election.

The elected Directors, as are required to fill vacancies, shall be elected for three (3) years unless they are filling a vacancy created by a resignation. Elected Directors may serve no more than six (6) consecutive years, unless elected to fill unexpired terms of vacancies created by resignations. The Bylaws require that the twelve (12) members of the Board of Directors must be REALTOR®, and no more than two (2) REALTOR® members from the same real estate firm may simultaneously serve on the Board of Directors, and only one (1) may serve as an officer. The elected Officers of the Association shall be a President, a President-Elect, a Vice President, and a Secretary/Treasurer. All officers are by election except the President and Immediate Past President. The Officer appointments shall be for a term of one (1) year except the president-elect who shall automatically become President the year following their term as president-elect and then will serve an additional year on the Board as Immediate Past President.

The Board of Directors consists of a total of 12 members and all must be REALTOR® Members. Based upon the current make-up of the Board of Directors for this election we will be electing one (1) President-elect, one (1) Vice-president, one (1) Treasurer/Secretary and three (3) Directors. For any additional criterion to serve, please read this full document or the Association Bylaws.



APPLICATION AND CONSENT TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS EAST POLK COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS

Please complete the following application for consideration by the Nomination Committee of the Board for an Officer or Director position on the EPCAR Board of Directors. The Nomination Committee of the Board will only consider information on the application form. Candidates for either Officer or Director positions must meet all the qualifications for the office for which they are applying. Please see the Qualifications & Function of Officers & Directors section of this application for qualifications. If you meet the qualifications for the office for which you are applying, a copy of this Application and Consent to Serve form will be published.

Name:

Firm:

Phone Number:

E-Mail:

Office for which I am applying. Please review the requirements, qualifications, and responsibilities. You may only apply for one position:

Officer: Specify which Officer Position (President, President-Elect, Vice President, or Secretary/Treasurer)

Director

Number of Years:

As a REALTOR®

In Real Estate

As an EPCAR Member

Real Estate Specialty (if any):

NAR REALTOR® Designations/Certifications (if any):

Please list prior Board/Committee Service. If applying for an Officer position, list committees you chaired:

Explain why you wish to serve, and any contributions you feel you could make to the board if elected: (use additional paper if needed, this statement will be shared with the membership)

If elected, the following is applicable, and your compliance with the responsibilities of that office are as follows.

- Attendance at monthly Directors' Meetings and as many Association functions as possible throughout the year.
- Able to take time away from your business to properly administer the office.
- Adhere to the Bylaws and Policies and Procedures of the Association.

I understand that by submitting this form, I consent to have the Qualifying Committee review my application and determine if I meet the qualifications for the office for which I am applying. If I do not meet the qualifications, I will not be on the ballot. I am aware of and agree to adhere to the responsibilities and time requirements of service if elected.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Applications must be received by 5:00 PM on August 12th, 2026.

You may mail this form to EPCAR: 1062 US-92, Auburndale, FL 33823

Applications may also be emailed to AE@EPCAR.com

Receipt of your application will be acknowledged. If not acknowledged, please verify receipt with the AE.

*One person may hold both offices as Secretary/Treasurer as long as they meet the term limit qualification.

**Additional positions may open up if a current Director is a candidate for an Officer Position



FUNCTION OF OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

- **PRESIDENT:** EPCAR's chief elected officer and the face of the Association; chairs the Executive Committee and Board of Directors, sets the vision for the year, and champions the Association's mission at every level, from the boardroom to Florida Realtors® and NAR.
- **PRESIDENT-ELECT:** Leader-in-training with a front-row seat to the Presidency; steps in whenever the President can't, helps shape next year's committees, and represents EPCAR alongside the President at Florida Realtors® and NAR events.
- **VICE PRESIDENT:** A steady hand for the Executive Committee; steps up to preside when both the President and President-Elect are unavailable, and champions the goals of the Association through committee leadership and liaison work.
- **SECRETARY/TREASURER:** Guardian of EPCAR's finances and official record; chairs the Finance Committee, keeps the Board informed with clear budgets and financial reports, and ensures the Association's resources are used wisely and transparently.
- **IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT:** Brings experience and perspective to the Executive Committee as a trusted advisor; chairs the Nominating Committee, helping identify and develop EPCAR's next generation of leaders.
- **DIRECTOR:** The voice of the membership on the Board; helps set policy, safeguard Association resources, and carry the strategic plan forward, serving as the vital link between committees and the Board of Directors.

NOTE: No elected/appointed Director or Officer shall serve in the same capacity for more than two consecutive terms. Candidates may not run for more than one office. The same person may not serve consecutive terms as President. No elected/appointed Officer or Director may serve or continue to serve if also serving as an Officer or Director of another local REALTOR® association/board in Florida. Please refer to the Association Bylaws and Policies and Procedures for further information.

TIMELINE:

Wednesday, August 5, 2026 - Applications for Officer and Director are due to EPCAR Office by 5:00PM

Tuesday, September 1, 2026 - Candidate bios and Consent to Serve forms will be published and made available to REALTOR® members.

Monday, October 5, 2026- Election begins. On-line voting sites are available beginning at 9:00 AM.

Friday, October 9, 2026 –Election ends at 5:00 PM.

Monday, October 12, 2026 - The election results will be announced via broadcast e-mail.