

3/9/21 Allunit: MSP Call for Nominations

It's that time of year when we begin to prepare for our local MSP elections. Below are two ways you can become more active in your union. Please consider each of them and then let us know if you'd like to nominate yourself or someone else.

Nominations will close at the end of our spring GENERAL ASSEMBLY on Thursday, April 29th, Noon-1:30 p.m. PLEASE SAVE THIS DATE.

1. Be a Delegate to MTA's Virtual Annual Meeting (April 30-May 1, 2021)

Come and participate in a 1,000-person democratic discussion and decision-making process of important issues that affect educators in Massachusetts. MSP is allotted approximately 25 delegates and our attendance as higher education members is especially important.

We encourage delegates to attend both Friday and Saturday but it is especially important to be there Saturday when important business is presented and we have a chance to vote on new proposals.

2. Serve as an MSP Officer or Board Member

Each year, as some of our leaders rotate out of their positions, we elect new MSP officers and board members for a three-year term. These positions provide an opportunity to hold a leadership role in shaping priorities and strengthening the union. Now is the time to nominate yourself or a colleague!

A list of candidates will be presented at MSP's General Assembly on April 29th; if we have contested elections, we will use online ballots, and if we do not have contested seats we will elect the officers and board at the General Assembly. The Board is the decision-making body of the union between General Assembly meetings. Board meetings are held every two weeks on Wednesday mornings. Officers meet separately during alternate weeks as well. Please respond to this message if you are interested in nominating someone (including yourself).

Positions to be filled this year include President, Vice Presidents and 9 Executive Board seats. We are especially looking for representation from Computer Science, Public Health and ISOM.