

NorthWest Augmentative Communication Society

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# **Board Member Role: AAC USER ADVISOR TO THE BOARD**

### Board Member Benefits:

- AAC User Advisor stipend of \$30 per quarter with attendance at a board meeting
- Complimentary conference registration
- Flexibility and support from your fellow board community
- An activity to add to your resume

## What You Can Expect As A Board Member:

- Length of term: no requirements; ideally at least 1 year
- NWACS meetings/events include:
  - Monthly board meetings (~1 hour); attend at least once per quarter
  - Periodic Volunteer meetings (~1 hour); attendance optional
  - Evening Seminars (~1 hour, several times per year); attendance optional
  - AAC Information Nights for Caregivers (~30 minutes, several times per year); attendance optional
  - Annual Fall Conference (full-day event once per year); attendance optional
- Contribute 1-2 blog posts per year (can be in the form of an interview or co-written with another person; can also include a contribution from someone you invite to write for the NWACS blog)

## General Responsibilities:

- Attend and participate in board meetings at least once per quarter
- Contribute guidance and input via email at least once per quarter regarding NWACS content, projects, planning, etc.
- Optional attendance at other NWACS events
- Respond to board emails in a timely manner
- Participate in projects or committees of interest
- Assist in recruiting volunteers and future board members
- Contribute to the NWACS blog as you are able

## <u>Specific Responsibilities:</u>

- Act as a liaison between the AAC User community and NWACS
- Ensure that AAC User needs are addressed in the organization's mission, vision, and values
- Assist in outreach to AAC Users to connect them with NWACS resources, events, projects, etc.