

## Volunteer to Make a Difference

As a member-owned financial cooperative, Orlando Credit Union relies on member volunteers to serve on its Board of Directors. Volunteers ensure financial soundness and guide strategic and policy decisions in a wide variety of areas including technology, branch deployment, product development, marketing and member service.

When you become an Orlando Credit Union volunteer, you help us to continue to grow and respond to member needs. Volunteering also provides an exciting opportunity to learn, develop business and leadership skills, and network with others. As a volunteer you are integral in the success of Orlando Credit Union.

## Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for election, all candidates must meet the following criteria:

- Be an Orlando Credit Union member in good standing.
- Complete and submit all required application items by the deadline.
- Be able to pass background checks such as:
- Credit Check
- Employment Verifications
- Education Verifications
- CUNA Background Check
- State of Florida Office of Financial Regulation
- TruStage for Bondability
- No Felony Convictions
- Hold at least a bachelor's degree in a field of specific benefit to the credit union, or equivalent work experience.
- Willingness to fulfill requirements of the Board of Directors.
- Agree to act in the best interest of our members and the credit union as a whole.
- Demonstrate consistency with our values, Code of Ethics, and Code of Conduct.
- Must not be an immediate family member of an employee of the credit union, director, or committee member seated. This includes: spouse, partner, parent, child, sibling, in-law, aunt, uncle, niece, grandparent, grandchild, member of household.


## The Ideal Board Candidate:

- Experience in roles focused on financial performance and forecasting as it pertains to implementing strategy.
- The spirit of volunteerism and a demonstrated understanding of supporting underserved communities.
- A background in digital customer experiences.
- Experience in banking or credit unions, especially with lending products, or within the financial education arena.
- The desire and ability to cultivate community partnerships.
- A background in working to build diversity, equity, inclusion and gender equality within a company, industry, or community.



## Responsibilities and Duties

Credit union service can be very rewarding with the opportunity to make a positive impact on the financial success of members and our surrounding communities. You will be able to add more leadership experience to your resume, gain new business insights, and be exposed to a variety of professional networks. In addition to meeting the requirements to fill an elected role at the credit union, it is important to know what to expect when applying for a Board positon. The overall time commitments for each role can range and include the following types of commitments.

## Board of Directors

Board Member Responsibilities:

- Help determine the strategic direction of the credit union
- Monitor performance against the strategic plan
- Provide direction and oversight to meet targets
- Ensure the safety and soundness of the credit union
- Hire and evaluate the CEO
- Serve on ad-hoc or ancillary committees to facilitate board oversight.

Time Commitments:

- Three-year term
- Monthly board meetings (up to 12 per year)
- Committee meetings
- Planning sessions
- Preparing for meetings (reading board/committee packets)
- Training/conferences (Required travel is paid for by the credit union.)


## Next Steps and Timelines

Submit completed application by the due date. Incomplete applications will not be considered. If you are selected, you will be scheduled for an interview by the Nominating Committee.
Final ballot selection and notification will be completed in January.
Membership will vote in next year's election during March.
Election results will be announced at the Annual Meeting in April.

## Your completed application includes:

- Completed \& Signed Application (attached)
- A Current Resume
- The Ballot Statement - Brief summary of your qualifications to be used on the election ballot if you are selected as a candidate.
- Headshot Photo - Photo will be used on the election ballot if you are selected as a candidate.


## Application Deadline:

Your application must be received NO LATER THAN 4:00 p.m. EST on Friday, January, 12, 2024, in order to be considered by the Nominating Committee.

Email digital photos to BoardElection@OrlandoCreditUnion.org
Mail or email applications to:
Orlando Credit Union
ATTN: Nominating Committee
945 South Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32806
Email: BoardElection@OrlandoCreditUnion.org
If you are selected as a potential candidate, you will be required to participate in an in-person interview with the Nominating Committee. You will be contacted by a member of the committee for scheduling.

Name:
Address:
$\square$
Position you are applying for: $\square$ Board of Directors

## Agreement

Potential credit union Officials will be requested to agree to a check of their credit history and criminal background prior to be considered for nomination or appointment as an Official to ensure compliance with the following: Section 657.028 of the Florida Statutes states: "(3) A person may not serve as an officer, director, or committee member of a credit union if she or he: (a) Has been convicted of a felony or of an offense involving dishonesty, a breach of trust, a violation of this chapter, or fraud, except with the prior approval of the department upon a showing of rehabilitation; (b) Has been adjudicated bankrupt within the previous 7 years; (c) Has been removed by any regulatory agency as a director, officer, committee member, or employee of any financial institution, except with the prior approval of the department upon a showing of rehabilitation and upon showing of ability to be bondable; (d) Has performed acts of fraud or dishonesty, or has failed to perform duties, resulting in a loss which was subject to a paid claim under a fidelity bond, except with the prior approval of the department upon a showing of rehabilitation and upon showing of ability to be bondable; or Has been found guilty of a violation of s. 655.50, relating to the Florida Control of Money Laundering in Financial Institutions Act; chapter 896, relating to offenses related to financial transactions; or any similar state or federal law." (4) A person may not serve as a director of a credit union if she or he is an employee of the credit union other than the Chief Executive Officer of the credit union. I am eligible to serve as an officer, director or committee member of Orlando Credit Union under Florida Statute 657.028 as noted above and do not meet any of the criteria above that would disqualify me from volunteering in this capacity. I hereby grant Orlando Credit Union permission to obtain information about my credit and any criminal history to be used for the purpose of evaluating this application. This may be obtained through the use of credit reporting agencies or by direct contact with creditors and the proper authorities. I agree to be fingerprinted so that the credit union can obtain a criminal record history.
$\square$
Applicant Printed Name $\square$
Date

## Resume \& Application Statements

1. Please attach your resume.
2. Complete application.

Ballot Statement: Personal statement, your qualifications, and why you would be the best candidate for election. This statement may not exceed 275 words and will be used on the ballot if you are selected as a candidate.

## Candidate Evaluation

As a potential candidate for the Board of Directors, we ask that you carefully consider the following issues. Please answer the questions as fully as possible and return them with your application.

1. Are you an active member, in good standing, of Orlando Credit Union? Are you familiar with the products and services offered?
$\square$ Yes $\square$ No

What services do you use?
2. Briefly describe your experience with basic finance and accounting practices, including the ability to read and understand the Credit Union's balance sheet and income statement and the ability to ask, as appropriate, substantive questions of management and auditors.
For example: List financial education, training and professional experience that demonstrates the skills needed to evaluate the Credit Union's finances.

## 3. Is there any conflict of interest serving on the Board of Directors?

Examples: Working for a title company used by Orlando Credit Union; affiliated personally or professionally with an audit firm or vendor used by the Credit Union; family member/relative of a Board Member, employee, or vendor of the Credit Union.
$\square$ Yes $\square$ No
4. Do you have adequate time available for Credit Union work?

The Board of Directors meets for at least 2 hours at 8:00 a.m. on the last Wednesday of every month at the Credit Union's Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida location or virtually. Additional requirements will include participation on various board committees, the annual planning session, and the annual meeting.
$\square$ Yes $\square$ No

## Candidate Evaluation (cont.)

5. Do you currently serve as a volunteer director or committee member for Orlando Credit Union?
$\square$ Yes $\square$ No

If yes, in what capacity do you serve?
6. Are you willing to uphold and honor the duties and responsibilities of a credit union director? Please refer to "A Few Guidelines for Credit Union Directors" included in this package. The Credit Union has several handbooks available. The Orlando Credit Union Core Values are enclosed with this nomination package. All Orlando Credit Union Team Members and volunteers must be committed to upholding these values.
$\square$ Yes $\square$ No
7. Are you eligible to be bonded? All Orlando Credit Union Directors are bonded through TruStage.
$\square$ Yes $\square$ No
8. Can you be tactful in discussing controversial matters?

9. Can you refrain from discussing confidential matters outside the boardroom?


# OUR VISION <br> Financial Well-Being for ALL. 

## OUR MISSION <br> To build lifelong relationships with our members by empowering their financial momentum.

## EXCELLENCE

Unwavering commitment to go above and beyond in all that we do.

+ Cultivates an environment where excellence thrives.
+ Takes ownership and delivers on commitments.
+ Constantly questions the status quo in the pursuit of improvement and innovation.
+ Encourages thinking beyond the box and aspires to more than we believe possible.
+ Creates unique ways to deliver the best member experience.


## TRANSPARENCY



Sharing information openly to benefit both the business and its workforce.

+ Demonstrates honesty and truthfulness.
+ Communicates with clarity. Share complete information that enables the team to serve the members quickly and efficiently.
+ Be credible and dependable - do what you say you will do.
+ Proactively provide feedback that is effective and practical.


## EMPOWERMENT

## The process of becoming stronger and more confident.

+ Creates a place where people feel safe to speak their minds, share, collaborate and be the unique individuals that they are.
+ Encourages employees to recognize change and involve them in decision making that provides the best member experience.
+ Encourages employees to take ownership of member experience to full resolution.


## INTEGRITY

Generating trust and respect through helping others.

+ Cares for the people we work with and for.
+ Follows through on Promises.
+ Always works in the best interest of members.
+ Creates an inclusive environment.


## TEAMWORK

Working collaboratively to achieve a common goal.

+ Work together to achieve excellence.
+ Learns from experience and shares with others.
+ Encourages difference of opinions.
+ Trusts one another.
+ Parks ego outside.
+ Everyone commits to a clear plan of action.

