



### **Declaration of Candidacy**

Board of Directors and Committee Members will be required to commit significant time to achieve the objectives of NANOG. Please limit your response to one page.

Please complete the attached form and forward by E-mail to elections@nanog.org

#### **Due:**

- **Board of Directors:** No later than September 20, 2013
- **Committees:** No later than October 9, 2013

**PLEASE NOTE:** Only NANOG Members can run for leadership positions. All candidates must be willing to serve for a one or two year term, to be determined by the membership during the ballot process.

Each candidate must declare any and all affiliation(s) relevant to NANOG, which will include his or her main employer, as well as any other major relationships (for instance, if a candidate's primary employer is a nonprofit entity which is sponsored by a vendor, the candidate would declare both the nonprofit and the vendor as affiliations).

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The Candidate should complete the declaration and as relevant, provide his or her answers to the questions outline below. The form should then be returned to NANOG via e-mail by the date given above. Faxed or mailed copies will not be accepted.

#### **Declaration**

I hereby signify my willingness to stand for office as candidate for:

#### **Program Committee**

I agree, that if elected, I will adhere to the Bylaws and Policies and Procedures of NANOG currently in force and as may be amended by the membership from time to time.

**1) Provide a brief biography of recent experience, associations, and affiliations relevant to serving on the NANOG Board of Directors or NANOG Committees. Please be as specific as possible.**

I have no specific experience, association, or affiliation that would be terribly relevant, other than having been attending NANOG meetings since NANOG8, down in San Diego. Oh. I guess I've helped run an annual convention with 20,000

attendees for the past 8 years, so I kinda know a bit about dealing with convention centers, hotel contracts and negotiations, and logistics. But other than that, I'm not terribly more qualified than anyone else.

The following questions are to be answered by Board of Directors Candidates ONLY

**2) Describe the relevance of your technical and professional experience to serve on the position you are interested in.**

I've been doing my best to keep chunks of the internet running for 20+ years, working on some of the largest content networks in the world.

**3) What Internet-related services do you or your current employer or organization provide?**

We run the highest-visited website in the world.

**4) Are there any conflicts, real or perceived that might arise should you be elected as a NANOG Board of Directors or Committee member?**

I should really make sure my ethics and compliance officer is cool with this; I'll check with them and make sure there's no problems; but other than that signoff, no, no conflicts I'm aware of.

**5) What contributions do you plan to make to NANOG over the next year? What are your personal objectives should you be elected?**

I just want to make sure every gathering can be the best it possibly can. I'll keep taking notes at meetings, and asking questions.

**6) What advantages does and will NANOG gain by your contribution of resources, contacts or influence in the industry?**

Not much, really; I'm pretty much a nobody. But I take really good notes, and I'm not afraid to approach anybody, for the most part.

**7) Describe any concerns or limitations on your ability to participate or travel to attend Board or Committees Conference Calls or, Meetings, and NANOG Meetings in person or to serve the entirety of your term.**

I don't know how often the board meets or has calls, so it's hard to say for sure. If you can tell me how often they meet, I can tell you if there will be any problems. But I'll do my darndest to make all the calls and meetings.

**8) Board and Committee experience, if applicable:**

Helped run Fanime convention as senior staff member, 2004-2012, with over 20,000 attendees each year.

Signature: Matthew Nicholas Petach

Date: 2013.10.09