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:

NANOG Board of Directors

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.
Please see http://www.1-4-5.net/~dmm/vita.html
I have been on the NANOG PC for many years and was chair of the PC for four years. I have been on the OpenDaylight Board for approximately one year, in addition to other leadership positions.

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 have been a member of the NANOG community for over 20 years. I have served on the NANOG PC for 10 or so years including 3+ years as PC chair. Among other experience, I am currently the chair of the OpenDaylight Technical Steering Committee (see http://www.opendaylight.org/project/governance/tsc) and as well as serving on the Board of Directors.

In addition to significant experience as a Board member for non-for profits, I have also been a member of the Internet engineering community for the last 25 years. I’ll note here that I have also been in various leadership positions in the Internet standards community, including working group chair (several different working groups), Internet Architecture Board, and Internet Research Task Force (among others).

Please see http://www.1-4-5.net/~dmm/vita.html for more detail.

3) What Internet-related services do you or your current employer or organization provide?
Brocade is a vendor of Internet equipment. However, in my role as CTO I have wide latitude. In particular, among other things I have been trying to socialize ideas from complexity theory and systems biology in the Internet Operations community. See e.g. http://www.1-4-5.net/~dmm/talks/nanog58.pdf, http://www.1-4-5.net/~dmm/talks/ripe66.pdf or my invited keynote for AusNOG 2013: http://www.1-4-5.net/~dmm/talks/ausnog2013.pdf.

In my role as Director of the Advanced Network Technology Center at the University of Oregon, we field various operational projects such as routeviews (www.routeviews.org), which is a key tool used by both operators and researchers who study BGP.

4) Are there any conflicts, real or perceived that might arise should you be elected as a NANOG Board of Directors or Committee member?
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5) What contributions do you plan to make to NANOG over the next year? What are
your personal objectives should you be elected?

As usual, I have information I want to get out into the community. See http://www.nanog.org/sites/default/files/tues.general.meyer_macro_3.pdf for one of my recent talks. The key point here is that understanding complexity and the trends that cause it are of great importance to the operational community.

Personal objectives if elected: Grow NANOG both financially but also in terms of diversity of participants. In addition, it has always been my assertion that we need to attract and educate the next generation of operators; this is a primary objective.

Finally, NANOG needs to attract a younger generation. I have been concerned about the aging population going back to the early 2000s so this is (should be) a key focus. In particular, in order to have a vibrant community we need young people.

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

Primary advantages include experience and leadership ability, as well as a forward looking mentality. I have always pushed the leading edge of technologies (not only in the operational community, but also on the standards and Open Source fronts). In addition, I have deep knowledge of how the both the community and PC operate and have close connections to our members. As such I have a very good sense of our community and their needs.

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.

None.

8) Board and Committee experience, if applicable:

As I mentioned, I’ve been on several program committees (including NANOG, where I have been PC chair and shepherded NANOG though the Merit transition) and Boards (including currently serving on the OpenDaylight Board of Directors).