

## **Vespa Club of America (VCOA)**

### **Member of the Board of Directors**

**Mission: VCOA is a 501(c) non-profit organization whose members are dedicated to riding motor scooters, and is a community sharing their passion of Vespa ownership in the United States. Members share a passion for vintage and modern scooters. The VCOA welcomes all scooter enthusiasts regardless of what they ride. We gather to celebrate our love for scooters with like minded people. We strive to portray the scooter community in a favorable light, promote education & awareness. We ride for our own benefits, but we also ride for community and comradery as well.**

For more information, please VCOA's website [www.vespaclubofamerica.com](http://www.vespaclubofamerica.com)

### **Position**

The Board will support the work of VCOA and provide mission-based leadership and strategic governance. While day-to-day operations are led by VCOA's Club President, the Board-President relationship is a partnership, and the appropriate involvement of the Board is both critical and expected. Specific Board Member responsibilities include:

### **Leadership, governance and oversight**

- Serving as a trusted advisor to the President as s/he develops and implements VCOA's strategic plan
- Reviewing outcomes and metrics created by VCOA for evaluating its impact, and regularly measuring its performance and effectiveness using those metrics; reviewing agenda and supporting materials prior to board and committee meetings
- Approving VCOA's annual budget, audit reports, and material business decisions; being informed of, and meeting all, legal and fiduciary responsibilities
- Contributing to an annual performance evaluation of the Club President
- Assisting the Club President and board chair in identifying and recruiting other Board Members, and Club Officers.
- Partnering with the Club President and other board members to ensure that board resolutions are carried out
- Serving on committees or task forces and taking on special assignments
- Representing VCOA to stakeholders; acting as an ambassador for the organization
- Ensuring VCOA's commitment to a diverse board and staff that reflects the communities VCOA serves
- Help in selection of Amerivespa Host cities
- Work the VCOA booth at Amerivespa

### **Fundraising**

VCOA Board Members will consider VCOA a philanthropic priority and make annual gifts that reflect that priority. So that VCOA can credibly solicit contributions from foundations, organizations, and individuals,

VCOA expects to have 100 percent of Board Members make an annual contribution that is commensurate with their capacity.

### **Board terms/participation**

VCOA's Board Members will serve until they decide to move on or the VCOA Officers remove them from their position. Board meetings will be held annually and committee meetings will be held in coordination with full board meetings. Board members must be present at Amerivespa.

### **Qualifications**

This is an extraordinary opportunity for an individual who is passionate about VCOA's mission and who has a track record of board leadership. Selected Board Members will have achieved leadership stature in business, government, philanthropy, or the nonprofit sector. His/her accomplishments will allow him/her to attract other well-qualified, high-performing Board Members.

Ideal candidates will have the following qualifications:

- Extensive professional experience with significant executive leadership accomplishments in business, government, philanthropy, or the nonprofit sector
- A commitment to and understanding of VCOA's beneficiaries, preferably based on experience
- Savvy diplomatic skills and a natural affinity for cultivating relationships and persuading, convening, facilitating, and building consensus among diverse individuals
- Personal qualities of integrity, credibility, and a passion for improving the lives of VCOA's beneficiaries

Service on VCOA's Board of Directors is without remuneration, except for administrative support, Amerivespa Attendance, VCOA swag, costs in relation to Board Members' duties.