

ADTA 2026 OPEN POSITION DESCRIPTIONS

REQUIREMENTS AND GUIDELINES FOR BECOMING AN ADTA BOARD MEMBER

- Candidates for ADTA Board of Directors and Nominating Committee must be Professional members of ADTA for at least three years during which time they must have served on a national committee or as an officer or committee member of a local chapter for at least one year.
- Candidates must hold either the R-DMT or BC-DMT (note: some positions require the candidate to hold the BC-DMT).
- No member of the Board of Directors may serve more than two consecutive terms in any one position. No member of the Nominating Committee may serve more than one consecutive term.
- No member can serve as chairperson of more than one standing committee.

TIME COMMITMENT

- Attendance at two multi-day Board meetings per year (spring and fall prior to the conference). A per diem is paid for each meeting day if in person.
- Attend monthly board meetings via Zoom as scheduled.
- Regularly attend to emails, conference committee work and other business between Board meetings.
- Prepare quarterly reports and newsletter submissions.
- Attend meetings with the membership necessary for the progress of the association.

Board of Directors			
Position	Term	Description	
Education <i>Elected in even numbered years</i>	2-year term One renewal	The Chairperson collaborates with their committee to support the dissemination of information related to dance/movement therapy education. They may convene special meetings of educators at the annual conference and bring forward issues related to education for Board consideration. As a voting member of the Board of Directors, the Chairperson actively contributes to the collective leadership of the ADTA, participating in both strategic and operational decision-making. This role includes supporting specific initiatives as needed and bringing professional expertise, creativity, sound judgment, and a collaborative spirit to the work of the Board.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must hold a current BC-DMT ● The chair will have a minimum of three (3) years of experience as a faculty member of an ADTA approved academic degree program and must be currently employed by the institution. In the event that no one steps forward to serve as Chair, the qualifications can be expanded to include previous employment by an institution within the last six (6) years.
Research and Practice <i>Elected in even numbered years</i>	2-year term One renewal	The Chairperson works with their committee concerning the dissemination of information on dance/movement therapy research and practice. They may convene special meetings of the research and practice committee at the annual conference, and bring issues related to research and practice to the Board. As a voting member of the Board of Directors, the Chairperson is involved in the teamwork of running the ADTA. This includes participating in major and minor decision-making, taking on additional tasks for specific initiatives, contributing to their business expertise, creativity, common sense, teamwork and other talents and skills to the work of the Board of Directors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must hold a current BC-DMT ● The R&P Chairperson should have a record of understanding and/or supervising, teaching, conducting research, and practicing dance/movement therapy for no less than 3 years.

Board of Directors			
Position	Term	Description	
Communications Chair <i>Elected in even numbered years</i>	2-year term One renewal	The Communications Committee Chairperson functions to inform and promote the science and art of dance/movement therapy to the general public and the health/medical community. Promotions include but are not limited to the following: (1) Press Releases, (2) Advertisements, (3) Brochures, (4) Displays, (5) Videos, (6) Electronic Communications, (including website and listserv), (7) Speeches and presentations. The Chairperson will work with the members of the Communications committee to plan public relations goals, objectives, and action plans that are of benefit to increasing the public awareness of the ADTA and the growth of the profession of dance/movement therapy. As a voting member of the Board of Directors, the Communications chairperson is involved in the teamwork of running the ADTA. This includes participating in major and minor decision making, taking on additional tasks for specific initiatives, contributing to their business expertise, creativity, common sense, teamwork and other talents and skills to the work of the Board of Directors.	Communications Chairperson should meet the following minimum requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hold a current R-DMT or BC-DMT ● Communications Chairperson should have been an active member on the Communications Committee for a recommended two years (minimum of one year) OR served as Chapter social media, public relations or communications leader. ● For consideration: Communications Chairperson candidate(s) benefit from having a broad knowledge of marketing, advertising, social media, and communication skills.
Members at Large <i>Eastern Region Rep</i> <i>Elected in even numbered years</i> <i>Western Region Rep</i> <i>Elected in odd numbered years</i> <i>*(Western MAL is running for a 1-year term to replace interim rep)</i>	2-year term One renewal *1-year term One renewal	Members-At-Large have a crucial role in the vitality of the ADTA. The MAL is the key to member relations, serving as a bridge between the membership and the Board of Directors. Maintaining the two-way flow of information between members and the Board is core to the organizational well-being of ADTA. As a voting member of the Board of Directors, the MAL is involved in the teamwork of running the ADTA. This includes participating in major and minor decision-making, taking on additional tasks for specific initiatives, contributing business expertise, creativity, common sense, teamwork and other talents and skills to the work of the Board of Directors. The MAL is responsible for assisting in the formation and dissolution of ADTA chapters and maintaining an up-to-date archival file of official chapter documents.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hold a current R-DMT or BC-DMT

NOMINATING COMMITTEE 2026 OPEN POSITIONS

REQUIREMENTS AND TIME COMMITMENT

- Oversee the nomination and election of ADTA and DMTCB open positions
- Collaborate with committee members to divide tasks and work with the ADTA office staff
- No in-person meeting attendance is required

Nominating Committee		
Position	Term	Description
<p>Nominating Committee</p> <p>(Central)</p> <p>(Eastern)</p>	<p>1-year term No renewal</p> <p>2-year term No renewal</p>	<p>The Nominating Committee is a three-person committee with each person representing one of the three ADTA-defined US regions. The three members serve as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● One member is in the second year of a two-year term and serves as the chair. ● One member is in the first year of a two-year term and serves as the member training to be the chair in the subsequent year. ● One member serves a one-year term. <p>This position is for a member serving a two-year term, first year as a member and second year as chair.</p> <p>The Nominating Committee follows written guidelines established as proper procedures to solicit nominations for open Board positions from the ADTA professional membership. The Committee works intensively over the course of 8 - 10 weeks in early spring. Once nominations are received the Committee's work is to assure that nominated individuals are eligible and willing to run for office, so that the ballot may be ready by May of that year.</p>