

Nominating Committee Memo

Congratulations!

On behalf of the ACNM Nominating Committee I wanted to extend a sincere thanks for agreeing to participate with the upcoming elections. Your name has been secured on the ballot. Please verify the following information. Notify me ASAP with corrections, etc. or if you are no longer interested.

Nominating Committee-Lisa Hanson

You will also notice that candidate questions are also enclosed. Please answer these questions and submit your answers to both Maura Christopher (at ACNM) and I. You also need to enclose a picture, preferably a head shot. **Submissions are due October 26, 2018.**

From your responses, an article will run in *Quickening*. FYI--**Answers reviewed by Maura Christopher and ACNM staff---** may be edited for length, etc. Maura will communicate with candidates any proposed changes prior to publishing.

For the Quickening article, Maura is going to excerpt 150 to 200 words from each candidate's answers to the question about how their qualifications have prepared them for their role and why. You can certainly write to whatever length. If it is shorter, ACNM will use whatever comes in. If it's longer, they will have to cut the answers back to between 150-200 words, so they can fit them all in the space allotted. Future editions may run additional answers to the questions (edited in the same manner).

Simply cc Maura Christopher, senior editor & writer, at mchristopher@acnm.org

Please send as an attachment and make sure it includes your photo(s) and answers.

One note: the head shots should be of a reasonable quality/size (not too small), or they could look blurry in the *Quickening* print edition.

Lisa Hanson PhD, CNM, FACNM, FAAN is Professor and Director of the Marquette University College of Nursing Midwifery Program. She practiced full-scope midwifery for 29 years at the Aurora Midwifery and Wellness Center, Milwaukee, WI. Lisa served as the Chair of the Division of Research (DOR) for two terms and as DOR Section Chair for two terms. She currently serves on the Nominating Committee for the FACNM and as Vice President of the WI ACNM Affiliate. She is an active researcher with NIH funding for a double-blind randomized placebo-controlled trial to determine the efficacy of an oral probiotic intervention to reduce Group B *Streptococcus* antenatal colonization. She believes that promotion of midwifery research is an essential component of our organization. Midwifery research informs education, practice and policy including efforts to achieve full practice authority. Lisa has a strong personal and professional commitment to diversity and inclusion. Enhanced diversity and inclusive ACNM will strengthen our organization and attendance and experience at our annual meetings. Our organization needs leaders who value and promote measures to enhance diversity and inclusion. Lisa believes strongly in the ACNM and believes she has communication and organizational skills that will serve the work of the nominating committee.

- After reading the position description, do you still agree that you are interested in running? **YES**
What makes you interested in this position? **I want to serve the ACNM.** What qualifies you for this position? **I am a FACNM, serve on the FACNM Nominating Committee and have served the ACNM in a National leadership role-I was Chair of the ACNM DOR for 6 years and served as DOR Section Chair for 6 years.**
- Undertaking an elected position is a huge time commitment. Do you see any responsibilities that you might not be able to carry out? **No. I am used to getting things done and on time.**
- What ACNM Strategic plan commitments best embody your personal philosophy? **I am very interested personally and professional in inclusivity and diversity. I believe that efforts on enhancing I&D will strengthen our organization and our profession. I also believe strongly in the promotion of midwifery research to inform practice and education. Midwifery care is a unique and leads to improved outcomes and lower costs. Most research on midwifery care will continue to open doors to full practice authority and a larger midwifery workforce.**
- In changing purpose to impact, what tools or skills do you have to promote success? **I have strong interpersonally communication skills. I am goal oriented, efficient and kind. I am very familiar with the nominating and election process and feel ready to be a part of it.**
- What ideas do you have for spreading innovation and improvement?
I think the ACNM could enhance its social media presence to attract more younger midwives to the organization. I think more members would feel connected if we could improve our active engagement. People who feel engaged are those who see value and purpose in their interactions with an organization. I am an educator and think I have great skills at connecting with students and recent graduates.