

## **OPTN Nominating Committee**

### **Meeting Summary**

**July 19, 2024**

**Webex**

**Lloyd Ratner, MD, MPH, Chair**

### **Introduction**

The Nominating Committee held a closed session via Webex 07/19/2024 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Welcome
2. Orientation
3. Mid Term Vacancy
4. Next Steps and Adjourn

The following is a summary of the Committee's discussion.

#### **1. Welcome**

Lloyd Ratner, Chair and OPTN Vice President, introduced himself and welcomed the committee. Dr. Ratner then walked the committee through the planned agenda.

#### **2. Orientation**

The attendees reviewed the charge of the Nominating Committee. The committee reviewed the work done by the Spring Nominating Committee to complete the 2025-2026 OPTN Board and Committee Needs Assessment. The committee discussed the OPTN Modernization Initiative and its impact on the work of the Nominating Committee. On June 11, HRSA notified the OPTN contractor that the 2025-2026 OPTN Board and Committee Needs Assessment was accepted by HRSA as a deliverable but was not approved for publishing or opening of the annual Call for Nominations. The community was notified on June 21. The committee discussed the processes that the Nominating Committee traditionally follows to source, screen, and interview candidates for the OPTN Board of Directors slate. The committee also reviewed the process to create the OPTN Board of Directors ballot. The committee will receive updates as they become available to define next steps in the OPTN Board and Committee 2025-2026 terms.

#### **3. Mid Term Vacancy**

Dr. Ratner updated the committee that an At-Large, patient, donor, or family member representative resigned from the OPTN Board before their term end date. He explained that the committee is charged with producing a recommendation for the OPTN Board to vote to appoint a replacement for the remainder of the term through 6/30/2025. In adherence to *OPTN Final Rule 121.3.a.ii*, the committee agreed the candidate must be a patient, donor, or family member. The committee reviewed the current patient, donor, or family representation on the Board. The committee discussed and came to consensus on their preference that a candidate have prior Board service to facilitate effective onboarding for a short term. The committee reviewed patient, donor, or family members that have finished their terms on the Board in the last 5 years. The committee selected two candidates to contact and confirm interest. The committee also requested to see two additional reports of candidates for further consideration.

#### **4. Next Steps and Adjourn**

The contractor will confirm the interest of the two candidates and provide requested reports. The Committee will provide feedback on whether to move forward with the two ranked candidates or to reconvene the committee for additional candidate review.

## Attendance

- **Committee Members**
  - Brittany Clayborne
  - Denise Abbey
  - Dianne LaPointe Rudow
  - Dorrie Dils
  - Jen Lau
  - Jennifer Reese
  - Jerry McCauley
  - Julie Spear
  - Lloyd Ratner
  - Macey Levan
  - Richard Formica
  - Silas Norman
- **HRSA Representatives**
  - Adrienne Goodrich-Doctor
- **UNOS Staff**
  - Anna Messmer
  - Julie Nolan
  - Lauren Mauk
  - Maureen McBride
  - Morgan Jupe
  - Sally Aungier