

Nominating Committee Report

WSWA Board, October 24, 2019



1) Members of the Board of Directors

a) Reelection of Directors (to a two-year term expiring in 2021):

George Abbey	F. R. Sarker
Ade Abiodun	Kaori Sasaki
Timiebi Aganaba-Jeanty	Randy Sweet
Oleg Alifanov	Fruzsina Tari
Lisa LaBonté	Bee Thakore
Bill Nye	
Misuzu Onuki	

b) Election of New Director (to a two-year term expiring in 2021):

Zhang Yao, Chinese Society of Astronautics (replacing Wang Yiran)

Note: Half of the Board is elected annually. Below depicts the Board if the nominations are approved:

Board Composition -- October 2019 -- As Proposed										Filled	
34 out of 50 positions are filled										Vacant	
Expires in 2021	Abbey	Abiodun	Aganaba	Alifanov	LaBonté	Nye	Onuki	Sarker	Sasaki	Sweet	
	Thakore	Tari	Zhang								
Expires in 2020	Aldrin	Al-Mashat	Camacho	Desbois	Dougherty	Dula	Garcia-Brotons	Hanks	Laffaiteur	Li	
	Le Gall	Lukaszczuk	Maierova	Mendieta	Nadeem	Piso	Prunariu	Stadd	Welch		

2) Officers (elected for one-year term)

Francisco Javier Mendieta, Chairperson
 Christopher Welch, Vice Chairperson
 Dennis Stone, President
 Ben Baseley-Walker, Executive Vice President
 Ali Al-Mashat, Senior Vice President
 Michel Laffaiteur, Senior Vice President
 Catherine Doldirina, VP-Board Relations and Secretary
 Alexander Karl, VP-Partners and Programs
 Armengol Torres, VP-Education and Coordinators
 Mariam Naseem, VP-Development (new -- see next page)
 Marcia Gilbert, VP-Administration (until December 31, 2019)
 Buckner Hightower, Treasurer

Mariam Naseem

Nominee for Vice President - Development



Mariam has a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from the University of Texas at Austin and a Master of Business Administration from the Rotman School of Management at University of Toronto. She is a space exploration enthusiast with a global and multi-disciplinary background including a stint as a field engineer on an oil rig in Russia and as a business development manager for a Quantum Computing startup. Mariam enjoys utilizing her skills to bridge the gap between emerging technologies and business needs, creating value through project management, market analysis and business development activities.

Mariam is currently a development volunteer with World Space Week Association and has managed the fund-raising campaign by SES CEO Steve Collar.