



## UCWDC® DIRECTOR AT LARGE POLICY

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The United Country Western Dance Council® is inspired by the vision of a thriving global dance community featuring a world-class competition circuit and a Championship event on every continent in addition to the longstanding Country Dance World Championships®. The UCWDC® oversees the largest competition circuit for country dance in the world, including partner and line dance styles. Our mission is to provide our members with the structure, tools, education, and support they need to thrive in our circuit.

### 1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish the selection, duties, and guidelines for being a Director at Large of the UCWDC.

### 1.2 Reference

**In accordance with Article 17.1.5 of the current UCWDC Bylaws:** “Directors at Large shall be members of the Board of Directors, providing input on key decisions, and contributing expertise or guidance on matters relevant to the organization's vision, mission and objectives.”

## 2. DIRECTOR AT LARGE RESPONSIBILITIES

To be a Director at Large of the UCWDC on the Board of Directors is a privilege and an opportunity to represent the Event Directors in your geographic region.

Director at Large is a two-year elected position as outlined in the UCWDC Electoral Practices and Voting Policy.

1. Attend Board of Directors meetings.
2. Contribute to key decisions relating to governing the business and affairs of the organization within the best interests to the Event Directors.
3. Provide guidance on matters relevant to the organization.
4. Join Committees or act as Committee Chairs.
5. Represent the UCWDC in a positive manner as an ambassador and further the aims of the UCWDC.

## 3. ELIGIBILITY

1. **In accordance with the UCWDC Electoral Practice and Voting Policy:** Officer Candidates to be considered for any open position of UCWDC must be:
  - a. an Event Director, in good standing, hold not less than 16% of their respected dance event, AND
  - b. have been in attendance at the immediate past four (4) out of five (5) sittings of the UCWDC General Council Meetings

## 4. ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

Directors at Large shall be required to attend each General Council meeting either in person or virtually.



## **5. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF A DIRECTOR AT LARGE**

Both the nomination and election of a Director at Large shall follow the UCWDC Electoral Practices and Voting Policy.

## **6. CONTINENTAL REGIONS**

Refer to the Regional Maps in the appendix of the UCWDC Regional Representative Policy for further clarification.

- a. The United States of America shall be divided into East and West at the Mississippi River.

### **6.1 North America – East Region**

1. Canada Eastern, as identified in the UCWDC Regional Representative Policy
2. All US States East of the Mississippi River

### **6.2 North America – West Region**

1. Canada Western, as identified in the UCWDC Regional Representative Policy
2. All US States West of the Mississippi River
3. North/Central and Central America, as identified in the UCWDC Regional Representative Policy

### **6.3 Europe Region**

1. All European Regions, as identified in the UCWDC Regional Representative Policy

### **6.4 Asia Region**

1. All Asian Regions, as identified in the UCWDC Regional Representative Policy

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