

Introducing the 2022–2023 Board of Directors

Elise Eller, PhD / 2022–2023 AMWA President

The AMWA Board of Directors (BOD) is our organization's governing body. As stated in Article III in the AMWA bylaws, the BOD manages and controls the affairs, property, and business of AMWA. The BOD meets consistently throughout the year to discuss and take action on items as they pertain to the organization. The BOD is responsible for approving the budget, the slate of nominees for elected office, and any proposed amendments to the Constitution or Bylaws. It also approves committees, work groups, and task forces and fulfills such other duties as are specifically mentioned in the Constitution and Bylaws and as required by law.

The BOD has the right to empower the Executive Committee, consisting of the President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Immediate Past President, and Executive Director, to act in between full BOD meetings.

In alignment with AMWA Bylaws, the BOD shall include elected Officers, an Executive Director, a Chair of the Chapter Advisory Council, and at least 5 appointed At-Large Directors. The number of members on the BOD during the governance year shall be no less than 12 and no more than 17.

The full scope of the BOD's responsibilities can be found in Article III of the *Bylaws of the American Medical Writers Association*.

I am pleased to introduce the 2022-2023 BOD, which consists of At-Large Directors, the Chair of the Chapter Advisory Council, and Officers. AMWA strives to have a BOD that is representative of our organization's membership, reflecting characteristics of the member population.

At its September 2022 meeting, the BOD approved the following individuals to serve as At-Large Directors for the 2022-2023 term:

- Joan Affleck, MBA, ELS
- Loretta Bohn, BA, ELS
- Sarah Dobney, MPH
- Lynne Munno, MA, MS
- JoAnna Pendergrass, DVM
- Genevieve Walker, PhD
- Shawn Watson, PharmD, PhD, BCPS

The BOD also approved the Chair of the Chapter Advisory Council (a voting member of the BOD):

- Jennifer Minarcik, MS

AMWA 2022-2023 Officers:

- President: Elise Eller, PhD
- President-Elect: R. Michelle Sauer Gehring, PhD, ELS
- Secretary: Kimberly Korwek, PhD
- Treasurer: Julie Phelan, MD, MBA
- Immediate Past President: Katrina R. Burton, BS
- AMWA Executive Director: Susan Krug, MS, CAE (ex officio, nonvoting)

The 2022-2023 BOD began its service on November 5, 2022 at the conclusion of the 2022 Annual Business Meeting at the 2022 Medical Writing & Communication Conference in Denver, Colorado.