

## **OPIRG York's 2017-2018 Board of Directors Nominations**

Nomination for the Ontario Public Interest Research Group at York University (OPIRG York) Board of Directors is open to any OPIRG York member, as long as the nomination is supported by at least 15 member signatures. All York University students who have paid their student fees and have not opted out of OPIRG York, as well as any community member who has paid for membership are members of OPIRG York and are eligible for nomination. We especially encourage women, people of colour, trans-people, queer people, disabled individuals, working class and union members, and diverse religious and cultural communities to run, in order to have a Board that is representative of the diversity of the York University community.

CANDIDATES for the Board should be members (students or community members) who:  
Have demonstrated a commitment to social & environmental justice and working within an anti-oppression framework.

Board of Directors agree to:

- 1) Responsibly and fully participate in and understand consensus decision-making;
- 2) Commit to attending a bi-weekly 2 hour Board meeting;
- 3) Commit to devote at least 3 hours a week in office/resource centre hours (not including board meetings);
- 4) Take responsibility for maintaining/bottom lining at least one portfolio;
- 5) Take responsibility for the Board's collective role as employer, representatives of the collective interests of student membership, community membership, and policy maker;
- 6) Have sufficient time and interest to prepare for and participate actively in the above duties, along with other responsibilities, like general members' meetings, committees, programming;
- 7) Commit to working to maintain a healthy environment and space that is respectful of others, both physically and emotionally; and
- 8) Commit to constant learning and the deconstruction of oppressive power structures such as (but not limited to) sexism, racism, homophobia, transphobia, Islamophobia, xenophobia, ableism and classism; and
- 9) Take collective responsibility for the organization's finances, and understand that if the organization or board break the duties of diligence, loyalty or act unlawfully, you may be personally held liable; and
- 10) Maintain a healthy environment and space that is respectful of others, both physically and emotionally; and
- 11) Constant learning and the deconstruction of oppressive power structures such as (but not limited to) sexism, racism, homophobia, transphobia, Islamophobia, xenophobia, ableism and classism.

TO NOMINATE yourself, submit a completed Nomination Form (on the reverse) between Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to the OPIRG York office (Room C449 in the Student Centre).

The Election of the board shall happen at the Annual General Meeting of OPIRG YORK, to be held on Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, at 2:30pm at the GSA Conference Room (room 430 of the Student Centre). All nominees to the board shall introduce themselves to the membership and an election will be held to determine the board members for the May 1, 2017 to April 30, 2018 term.

For more information what it means to run or the election, please come by the OPIRG York office or contact Hanan Jibril, OPIRG York's Chief Returning Officer, at [opirgyorkcro2017@gmail.com](mailto:opirgyorkcro2017@gmail.com). Copies of the nomination form and more information about OPIRG York are available in the OPIRG York office, C449 Student Centre and online at [www.opirgyork.ca](http://www.opirgyork.ca).

## OPIRG YORK 2017-2018 Nomination Form

I \_\_\_\_\_ [print your name] am interested in being elected to the 2017-2018 OPIRG York Board of Directors. If elected I will carry out the rights and responsibilities of a Director to fulfill the mandate of the organization.

**I acknowledge that if I don't meet the responsibilities above, the board has the ability to remove me from the Board of Directors; and if I miss three (3) consecutive meetings without sending regrets, I will be automatically removed from the board.**

\_\_\_\_\_ [signed]                      \_\_\_\_\_ [date]

\_\_\_\_\_ [email]                      \_\_\_\_\_ [phone]

We the undersigned are student and community members of OPIRG York\* and we support the nomination of the candidate above to run for a position on the OPIRG York Board of Directors.

	Name [Printed]	Student #	Signature
1)	_____	_____	_____
2)	_____	_____	_____
3)	_____	_____	_____
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\* Student members are part-time or full-time students at York University who have not opted out of OPIRG York. Community members are members of the surrounding community who have paid to OPT-in to OPIRG York.