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UFBA MAP Panel Member Job Description

Purpose

The Membership Advisory Panel (MAP) helps the Association's Board and its representatives to understand the views of its Members, prior to making decisions in areas of high Member interest.

Panel Members come with a diverse knowledge of Member perspectives. Through their ceremonial duties and other community relationships, Panel Members are in a strong position to both listen to and seek information from Members including Provincial and Sub-associations.

The Membership Advisory Panel's (MAP) role is to:

- Provide an additional means for Members to connect, communicate and consult with the Board and Association; and
- Consult with the Board and Association on certain matters specified in the Constitution.

The MAP procedure will be governed by Association regulations and policies.

Structure:

The MAP shall consist of the following persons:

- The President
- The Vice President
- The immediate Past President; and
- Any other person co-opted or elected in accordance with the Association's regulations and policies.

The MAP is supported by the UFBA Headquarters staff.

Forums:

It is expected that the MAP will formally meet prior to Board meetings but shall be available to the UFBA for guidance and support in between meetings.

Expectations:

- Provide guidance to the Association on matters of high importance to Members
- Facilitate improved communication and formal consultation between the Association and its Members
- When carrying out ceremonial duties, help to carry consistent messages to and from the Association and its Members
- Keep informed about plans, activities and needs of the Association and its Members.

The Membership Advisory Panel is recognized in the 2019 UFBA Constitution as follows:

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 - i) The President;
 - ii) The Vice President;
 - iii) The Immediate Past President; and
 - iv) Any other person co-opted or elected in accordance with the Association's regulations and policies.
- b) The Membership Advisory Panel's role is to:
 - i) Provide an additional means for Members to connect, communicate and consult with the Board and Association: and
 - ii) Consult with the Board and Association on certain matters specified in these Rules.

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