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Deadline to Apply for ICfL Board is March 20

BOISE, Idaho --The Idaho Commission for Libraries (ICfL) is accepting applications to fill an upcoming available seat on its five-member board of library commissioners, which is the policymaking body for the ICfL. The deadline to apply is March 20, 2024.

The position must be filled by an Idaho resident who lives within the 1st Congressional District and is at least 18 years of age. It is a five-year term beginning in summer 2024.

The ICfL board typically meets six times per year (face-to-face or via conference call), primarily in Boise. The spring meeting location rotates around the state and includes tours of area libraries. Travel expenses to board meetings are paid by the ICfL, and each board member receives an honorarium of \$50 per day for a face-to-face meeting or \$25 for a conference call.

The powers and duties of the board of library commissioners are listed in Idaho Code, Title 33, Chapter 25, Section 3, found here: <u>https://legislature.idaho.gov/statutesrules/idstat/Title33/T33CH25/SECT33-2503/</u>.

Idaho Code specifies that the board of library commissioners shall nominate to the governor qualified candidates to fill any board vacancy.

Ideal candidates will have an awareness of emerging technologies, a grasp of the importance of libraries in youth and teen development, an understanding of the ways libraries can meet the needs of a diverse state, and an appreciation of the many roles and responsibilities shouldered by library directors, staff, and trustees.

Potential candidates who are enthusiastic about all the things libraries offer Idahoans and can dedicate time to performing board duties should submit a letter of interest, résumé, and references to the ICfL by March 20, 2024. Interviews for potential candidates will begin in April.

Materials should be mailed to:

Idaho Commission for Libraries Attn: Stephanie Bailey-White, State Librarian 325 W. State Street Boise, ID 83702

Or materials may be submitted online at : <u>https://form.jotform.com/240078909316056</u>

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