THE AMERICAN BOARD OF PATHOLOGY

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

The responsibilities of the Trustees include, but are not limited to, the following:

• Determine and support the mission, vision, values, and purpose of the ABPath.
• Select, support, and evaluate the Chief Executive Officer.
• Ensure effective planning; monitor metrics and accomplishments of the strategic plan.
• Monitor and strengthen activities of the ABPath.
• Ensure adequate financial resources; protect assets and provide financial oversight.
• Build and maintain a competent Board.
• Ensure legal and ethical integrity.
• Enhance the ABPath’s public and professional standing.
• Attend all business meetings of ABPath and other meetings as required. Spring (May-2 ½ days in Chicago), summer retreat (August-3 half-days), and fall (November-2 days in Tampa) BOT meetings. All meetings begin on Sunday.
• Develop primary and subspecialty, and CC examinations as assigned.
• Serve on committees, either as chairperson or member, as assigned, and expend the time, energy and resources to carry out the Committee’s responsibilities. Participate in BOT Committees (Bylaws, Examinations, Executive, Finance & Audit, MOC, Nominating, Ethics & Professionalism) and other ad hoc committees and task forces, as appointed. Committees meet on the first day (Sunday) of the spring and fall meetings and by conference call, as needed. The Executive Committee meets by conference call monthly, and all Trustees are invited to listen in.
• Chair or Vice-Chair a Test Development and Advisory Committee (TDAC) (one meeting/year; 1-2 ½ days); review all agenda items, reports, and new questions (TDAC) * prior to meetings.
• Listen to the concerns of others, identify the interests represented, ask questions and seek clarification to ensure full understanding of other’s interests, concerns, and comments.
• Develop creative solutions to address issues.
• Serve on the Pathology Review Committee of ACGME and/or a committee of ABMS if nominated by the ABPath and approved by the sponsoring organization.
• Trustees are elected for 3-year terms and may serve up to four terms.
• All Trustees have the opportunity to serve as either Secretary or Treasurer (1-2 years), Vice President (1 year), President (1 year), and Immediate Past President (1 year). Officers serve on the Executive Committee. *

TRUSTEE ATTRIBUTES

• Must hold a current full and unrestricted license to practice medicine or osteopathy in a state or jurisdiction of the United States or Canada. *
• Must be actively engaged in the practice of pathology in the US or Canada. *
• Must be certified by the American Board of Pathology. *
• Should demonstrate scholarly contributions to pathology in the form of publications, presentations, teaching, and/or research. *
• Should demonstrate engagement and leadership in departmental, institutional, medical and pathology societies, and other professional organizations and activities.
• Must demonstrate the ability to work well with others.
• Must demonstrate knowledge of and commitment to the initial certification and Continuing Certification processes.
• Diversity: The ABPath aims to maintain a balance among the Trustees with respect to practice setting (academic versus private practice), geographic location, gender, ethnicity and other factors.
• Must be committed and able to fulfill the duties of a Trustee of the American Board of Pathology

*Does not apply to Public Member Trustee