

Wanted: Residents to help lead HOA

The SPCSA will soon seek candidates for three Board of Directors positions. Could serving on the Board be a way for you to give back to your community?

This Q&A will help you decide whether it might be right for you. In addition, there will be a Board member and committee-volunteer orientation and Q&A session for those interested in learning more about the HOA on Oct. 15, 7-7:30 p.m., at the Maintenance Building, 397 Sabal Palm Drive. Candidacy forms will be mailed to homes ahead of the Nov. 19 annual meeting and election.

Q. What does the Board of Directors do?

A. The nine-member Board manages the HOA, including enforcing rules, maintaining common areas and managing the budget. Directors work to ensure the neighborhood remains a good place to live by addressing residents' concerns and overseeing improvements.

Q. Would I have a particular role?

A. If elected to a three-year term, you could pick a specific committee to assist. Additionally, you could volunteer to be a Board officer or committee chairperson.

Q. Do I need any special education or experience?

A. Although a background in areas such as finance, law or property management can be helpful, it's not needed. A commitment to Sabal Point, a willingness to learn and the ability to work collaboratively are key. New Board members get orientation and training.

Q. I'm already pretty busy. How much time does it take?

A. Several hours a month, depending on your role and projects. This time includes attending regular monthly meetings, reviewing documents and handling issues that arise.

Q. What do Board members get from the work?

A. Being a director allows you to have a voice in important decisions, to help shape the neighborhood's future and to build relationships with your neighbors.