



National Youth Protection Committee Chair Position Description

March 20, 2013

Structural:

- A registered volunteer position; a member of the National Executive Committee
- Appointed by the BSA's president in conjunction with the Chief Scout Executive and the Nominating Committee
- Appointed for a one-year term, extendable as required/desired (target no more than three years)
- In conjunction with the Youth Protection director, is responsible to the vice president—administration for support and oversight of the administration and delivery of the Youth Protection program of the BSA to the field through the National Council's operations and regional organizations
- Subject to oversight by the National Executive Board and officers of the corporation and reports to the vice president—administration

Desired qualifications:

- Extensive Scouting background, with knowledge of and contacts throughout the full organization
- A Youth Protection-oriented volunteer with specific expertise in one or more of the following fields: social services, law enforcement, criminal or civil justice (e.g., prosecution, judicial, academia), prevention, investigation, intervention, advocacy, policy, sex offender treatment, child abuse therapy, children's advocacy center, victim advocacy (with direct supervised experience in the criminal justice system), or forensic interviewing
- Preferred to have an understanding of and/or background in child abuse and maltreatment, with knowledge of youth victimization

Specific duties and responsibilities:

- Recruit members for and give leadership to the National Youth Protection Committee.
- Report to the vice president—administration and, in so doing, act as one of the principal advisors on all matters relating to Youth Protection and any pertinent Youth Protection initiatives, plans, programs, policies, communications, or actions that affect the BSA.
- Keep the national officers and Executive Board informed through the vice president—administration of key issues in the youth protection field, including plans, programs, communications, or actions that affect the BSA in the marketplace that need to be addressed in supporting Scouting's overall Youth Protection program throughout the nation.
- Appoint to the committee, as members or advisors, specialists who would use their expertise to achieve the Youth Protection mission of this committee and of the BSA.
- Preside at meetings of the committee; appoint ad hoc task forces and individuals to serve on the committee as desired to achieve the mission of the committee or as requested by the officers of the corporation.
- Prepare an annual report for submission to the National Executive Board on the status of Youth Protection programs; compliance at the national, regional, area, and council levels; and future strategic plans.

