

COMS-Elected Board Directors are elected for a three-year term. COMS-Elected Board Directors may serve two three-year terms unless they are elected to be an Officer of the Society. There are a total of two COMS-Elected seats on the Board of Directors.

The ASM Board of Directors provides strategic direction to the Society. It brings ASM's mission to life by setting and approving the vision and the strategy for the Society. The Board also is ultimately responsible for approving all legal, financial, and governance matters. As such, each COMS-Elected Board Directors must ensure that ASM activities and transactions are, first and for



conviction, and delivers on promises.

Makes prompt decisions and takes decisive action even when faced with risk. Acts quickly and decisively (and at ease with making decisions).

An inclusive leader focuses primarily on the growth and well-being of people and the communities to which they support. In interacting with the diversity around them, inclusive leaders build interpersonal trust, take the views of others into account, and are adaptive. An inclusive leader requires openness to differences curiosity, and empathy. An inclusive leader shares authority and puts the needs of others first and helps people develop and perform as highly as possible. Utilizes constructive and collaborative approaches, modeling inclusive behaviors toward volunteer members and staff.

Agility, flexibility, and adaptability are critical for success in an increasingly dynamic and demanding environment.

The COMS-Elected Board Director must be an ASM member in "good standing"<sup>1</sup> and demonstrate interest in ASM, its programs and act as an ambassador for the organization. They will have to reach an agreement, using evidence-based data, on a variety of complex, important issues.

They also have senior-level experience and recognition within the professional and/or scientific communities effective leadership, diplomacy, communication, strategic skills; demonstrated professional competency; and a



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<sup>1</sup> *Member in Good Standing.* A Member in Good Standing is defined as any member who has paid his or her current dues or who is designated as a certified Global Outreach, Emeritus, or Honorary member. A Member in Good Standing, including dues-paying and honorific Academy Fellows, must further abide by the o Code of Ethics.

