

In May 2019, Elections will be held for the upcoming two-year term 2019-2021 for the Executive positions of the OIAA Georgian Bay Chapter. In accordance with the Bylaws of the Ontario Insurance Adjusters Association, the Proposed Slate of Executive Officers must be published and presented to the members three (3) times prior to Elections.

The following is the current Proposed Slate of Executive Officers, which can be amended as volunteers come forward, leading up to the Elections:

**PRESIDENT**  
**Position Open**

**VICE PRESIDENT**

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The Co-operators Insurance joe\_cumming@cooperators.ca

**SECRETARY**

**Kayla Guy** (705) 719-3309  
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**TREASURER**

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**CHAPTER DELEGATE**

**Greg Doerr** (705) 719-7983  
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**The criteria for these volunteer Executive positions is as follows:**

- Volunteer shall be an adjuster (either Insurance Company, or Independent Adjuster)
- Must be, or have been, an OIAA Executive Member with any OIAA Chapter, for a minimum of any two (2) years combined (not consecutively)

Volunteers for the Executive positions may also submit their written nomination at the Election meeting in May 2019, provided their nomination is accompanied and supported by the names of not less than five (5) adjusters who are in good standing with the Ontario Insurance Adjusters Association.

Should no volunteer come forward for the open Executive positions when Elections occur in May 2019, our Chapter runs the risk of closing – we cannot operate as a Chapter without an Executive.

Anyone wishing to put their name forward for nomination for the Executive positions, and meets the criteria set out herein, please contact Teresa Mitchell, Interim President.

Positions as Social Directors and Committee Members are open to any member of the OIAA Georgian Bay Chapter and are not elected positions. We have several individuals stepping down after many years of service and have portfolios requiring assistance. Should you be interested in a social position, please contact Teresa Mitchell, Interim President @ 705.719.3306 or email [teresa.mitchell@crawco.ca](mailto:teresa.mitchell@crawco.ca)

Please consider volunteering for the OIAA Georgian Bay Chapter, so we can continue to provide educational and networking events for our members.

Regards,

*Teresa Mitchell*  
OIAA Georgian Bay Interim President

## Georgian Bay pursuant to OIAA Constitution Article 7

1. These by-laws are the laws governing the Georgian Bay Chapter of the Insurance Adjusters Association.
2. The geographical location of the Georgian Bay Chapter spans central Ontario from the shores of Lake Simcoe and Georgian Bay, Blue Mountain to Muskoka and south to Dufferin and York Counties.
3. The Georgian Bay Chapter adopts the OIAA Constitution as written and will adhere to its guiding principles, ethics and not-for-profit status, with the exceptions listed in the by-laws below:
4. **Membership**
  - a. OIAA members: as defined in the OIAA Constitution, located in the geographical area, are members of the GBC automatically, unless an alternate location is listed by the individual member.
  - b. The GBC is permitted to have "Social Members". "Social Members" shall be defined as non-OIAA members who are employed in an industry with a connection to claims adjusting, but not members as defined by the OIAA constitution. Decision to accept or reject a "Social Member" rests with the executive of the chapter. "Social Members" will pay a membership fee of \$40.00 to the GBC. "Social Members" have no voting rights within the chapter, nor are they party to financial information of the Chapter or the OIAA. The "Social Members" can be removed from the membership with a majority vote of the chapter executive. "Social Members" will adhere to the governing principals and code of ethics as written in the OIAA Constitution.
  - c. Honorary lifetime member - The Chapter executive may appoint any OIAA member as Honorary lifetime member of our chapter.
5. **Executive**

The Chapter executive shall consist of an elected President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and no more than six (6) OIAA members as Executive Directors as well as a Newsletter Editor and Chapter Delegate. These must be active members as defined by Article 3(a) in the OIAA Constitution. In addition, the Georgian Bay Chapter will have no more than six (6) Social Directors, with non-voting standing as voted in and approved by the Executive members. The immediate Past President will have a vote.

  - a. Elections shall be held every two years in the month of May. Candidates must be an active member in good standing with the Georgian Bay Chapter. Nominations will be accepted by the sitting secretary. Nominations may be accepted from the floor on the day of the election, with the exceptions of the Treasurer, who must have over 1 year experience on the chapter executive. The member who captures the majority of eligible votes obtains the position. Eligible voters are current, active OIAA adjuster members in good standing. Voting shall be by secret ballot, and the presiding officer shall be the immediate Past President for the Chapter, or in the alternative a Past President of the Chapter. The Past President shall cast the deciding vote in the event of a tie.
6. **Dissolution**

The Chapter executive and 50% of the chapter designated OIAA Members can vote to dissolve the chapter. All funds of the chapter will revert to the Provincial OIAA to be distributed to its remaining chapters for use by its members. Membership in the local chapter will revert to the Toronto area or an alternate Chapter of the individual member's choice. No funds will be distributed to "Social Members."
7. **Discipline**

All discipline matters pertaining to OIAA members, must be referred to the Provincial Executive for consultation. All "Social Members" discipline must be investigated and resolved by the local Chapter executive. If a "Social Member" must be expelled or refused membership, it will take place after a 3.4 majority vote of the current sitting executive.
8. **Fiduciary Responsibility**

The Chapter agrees that it must govern itself financially in the best interest of the OIAA and the Chapter. Each year it will file the appropriate taxes with the Canada Revenue Agency. It will not contractually obligate the OIAA in any manner, for any reason without the express written permission of the OIAA.