

Cleared for Takeoff to Run for Office

Governor
2018-2020 Term of Office

Have you ever wondered, what is a Governor?

Well, here's the definition: noun [guhv-er-ner, -uh-ner]

1. a person who governs
2. an elected official who is the political head of a state in the U.S.
3. a person charged with the direction or control of an institution, society, etc.
4. a person who is part of a group of people who control a large organization, school, etc.

For the Southwest Section a Governor is the Chairman of the Board, who presides at all Section meetings and meetings of the Section Board of Directors. In addition she carries out the collective wishes of the membership, while being their spokesperson on matters of Section Policy. She also has the responsibilities and duties as defined in the Standing Rules.

There are specific duties as well. The Governor shall see that all officers and members of committees perform their respective duties, as defined by the bylaws of the organization. Unless otherwise specified, she appoints all chairpersons and committees. The Standard Operating Procedures also states responsibilities and duties. To balance that out, Governors were asked for impressions about their terms in office.

The following are a couple of replies:

"My first reaction, being new at this, is that serving as a Governor is an honor. Everyday there is an email or phone call from a member that helps me to learn more about our SWS and the organization."

"The workload to being Governor is not overwhelming as some think. It is like chatting and spending time with friends that share the same passion and interests."

Those who are thinking about running, for the office of Governor, must meet the following requirements:

- Nominee shall have been a member of The Ninety-Nines, Inc. for a minimum of two years prior to January 15, 2018.
- Must be an active member (as defined in the International Bylaws of the organization).
- Shall have been a Chapter Chairman, a member of the Section Board of Directors, or a Section Committee Chairman.

To receive a copy of the Southwest Section's Intent to Seek Election form please contact a member of the Southwest Section Nominating Committee.

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AEMSF Impacting Lives

It took me 2 tries to successfully receive my 2015 Amelia Earhart scholarship. And I was pushing to complete my CFII before I would move forward on my scholarship rating for my multi-engine commercial add-on. I had left my "day" job as an engineer to take on the world of aviation as a full-time CFI. I had budgeted that I would be living at or below the poverty level for 2 to 3 years in order to finish up some advanced ratings and hopefully move towards some kind of sustainable salary.

Just before I left town to go complete my multi-engine rating, I spoke with one of our chapter's previous AE winners who was now a pilot at a major airline. She reminded me to keep my eyes open for opportunities, "Your aviation career can take many paths. Don't ignore something in front of you". Great advice.

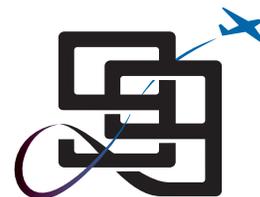
A few weeks after I got home from completing my multi-engine rating her advice rang in my head again. So I emailed a contact at a local Reno company and 2 weeks later I had a job flying Cheyennes! It was my first job flying multi-engines and PT-6A turbines at that! Just over a year later, I am now being considered for a job to fly a private jet locally.

The Amelia Earhart scholarship continues to give and give. Today I am fortunate to be helping our chapter applicant with her AE scholarship application for a multi-engine commercial add-on. I hope I will give her good advice when she needs it!

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2015 AE Scholarship Winner Multi-Engine
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