



Information Regarding the PTC Board of Governors (BG)

The BG is the principal decision-making instrument of the Council and is responsible for overall policy, strategic direction and planning, and financial oversight of the Council.

A new member of the BG should expect to participate in a pair of face-to-face meetings at the time of PTC's Annual Conference in Honolulu. New BG members are invited Saturday before the start of the conference for a joint meeting with the outgoing BG members to gain an understanding of the issues under consideration.

The new BG will also meet on Wednesday of the conference, and new BG members should plan to stay in Honolulu at least through late Wednesday afternoon.

BG members annually select their Chair; the BG Chair also serves as President of PTC. Other officer positions including the Treasurer, who chairs the Budget and Finance Committee, are elected by the BG members annually. Task forces or sub-committees are generally established and members identified. Typical subjects might include:

- Annual Conference
- Strategic Development
- Corporate Relations and Sponsorships
- Personnel
- Programs and Seminar Events
- Membership Development and Outreach
- Budget and Finance
- Ad Hoc Committees: Projects, Academy, etc.

The BG has a standing monthly meeting conducted by teleconference that lasts one hour. There are possibly other instances in which BG members will be called to attend more than one teleconference. In some years, there may be one additional in-person meeting scheduled, during another event where a quorum of BG members may attend.

The Executive Officers of the BG—Chair/President, Vice President(s), Secretary, and Treasurer—serve as an executive committee and may be engaged in more frequent communication and meetings as necessary.

Time Commitment:

Like all voluntary organizations, the actual time commitment to Council-related activities is highly varied. The overall BG workload is largely self-determined and is difficult to predict. The best BG members have busy professional lives but make the time to participate fully in the BG. PTC is especially in need of leaders who are willing and able to promote PTC externally and actively engage in the work of the organization.

Benefits:

All who participate benefit in many ways. These benefits include gaining a network of senior-level colleagues from many telecoms and ICT-related arenas, developing longstanding friendships with leaders in the field, and broadening one's knowledge. BG members ensure the continuing tradition of PTC and make a significant difference toward enhancing the opportunities for PTC to continue its success. These benefits are, of course, those that draw many to PTC in the first place. Service on the BG needs to be appreciated as service to the advancement of ICTs through PTC and its role as a pre-eminent not-for-profit membership organization and premier conference in the Pacific Rim.