EXECUTIVE BOARD OPENING

Vice President

Co-lead ASC and help position us for what's next.

ROLE	TERM	TIME	WORKS WITH
Volunteer · Executive Board	3 years	5-10 hr/week, incl. monthly Board meetings, annual Board retreat + SCIENCE TALK	President, Executive Director, and the full Board

Our Vice President is ASC's co-head: a partner to the President, a sounding board for the Executive Director, and a leader who can step in at any moment. We're looking for an experienced nonprofit leader who's energized by partnerships, comfortable with governance, and excited to help a growing professional society find its place in the wider science and nonprofit landscape.

What you'll do

- **Co-lead ASC** as its outward co-head alongside the President.
- **Step in as President** — lead the Board and carry out presidential duties whenever the President is unavailable.
- **Coordinate with the Executive Director** on priorities, progress, and what's coming up.
- **Build and expand partnerships** with the President and ED.
- **Grow our funding relationships** with donors and grantors, alongside the President, ED, and Development Director.
- **Position ASC** within the broader landscape of science, communication, and nonprofit organizations.
- **Support strong governance** — help ensure 501(c)(3) compliance and recruit, onboard, and support Board members.

What you bring

- **Nonprofit leadership experience** — as a board officer, committee chair, or senior staff leader.
- **Working knowledge of nonprofit governance** and compliance.
- **Strong partnership and relationship-building skills,** plus a network you're excited to bring to ASC.
- **A collaborative leadership style.** You're as comfortable backing up the President as you are leading the room.
- **Sound judgment** and the confidence to make decisions when it counts.
- **Passion for our mission** and for building strong, sustainable nonprofits — ideally both.

Bonus points: Experience in or around science communication, research, education, media, or museums.

Every board member

- **Show up** to monthly Board meetings, our annual Board retreat, be responsive to Slack messages and emails, and attend the annual SCIENCE TALK conference (next up: April 8–9, 2027 in Chicago).
- **Roll up** your sleeves and participate as a working board member to lead and/or serve on committees.
- **Open doors** by being an active ambassador for ASC, connecting us with partners, sponsors, members, attendees, and donors that grow ASC's fiances, brand awareness, programs, and impact.
- **Lead with integrity.** Follow ASC's ethics policy in your scicomm work, board service, and professional conduct.

About ASC

ASC (formerly Science Talk) is the professional hub for people who communicate science — journalists, practitioners, content creators, PIOs, trainers, outreach professionals, researchers, educators, artists, and more. For over ten years, we've brought this community together through our SCIENCE TALK conference, courses, workshops, virtual events, and mentorship program. Now in our second decade, we're growing from our founder-led roots into a national organization: expanding our conference and courses, building chapters, and working toward full-time staff. Through it all, building, supporting, and collaborating with our community remains the heart of our culture. ASC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit.

We especially encourage applicants whose backgrounds and perspectives are underrepresented in science and science communication.

Ready to apply?

Apply online at:
forms.gle/zAMo1mdPuTMUYWkE6.

Have questions? Email us at:
info@sciencecomm.org.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

1. Our nominating committee reviews applications
2. Selected candidates interview
3. Finalists meet the full Board
4. The Board votes