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President- Elect Candidate

Rita Giles, MPH, RD, LD, CNSC

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| Education | Oregon State University: BS Nutrition, Corvallis, OR Oregon State University: MPH Health Promotion Health Behavior, Corvallis, OR |
| Internship | Oregon State University |
| Employment | Specialty Practice Registered Dietitian, Salem Health, Salem OR, July 2014-present Graduate Assistant Dietitian/Wellness Graduate Assistant, Oregon State University Student Health Center, Corvallis OR, Sept 2015-March 2017 |
| Professional Activities | Oregon Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Educational Conference Chair, 2016 & 2019 Oregon Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Secretary, 2017-2018 Salem Health Clinical Nutrition Council, Co-chair, October 2018-May 2019 Salem Health Clinical Nutrition Council, Chair, June 2019-present |
| Awards | Salem Health Star Award: Leader in Practice & Teaching of Excellence, 2016 |
| Professional Statement | <i>I am thrilled to have been nominated for president elect and believe I have many qualifications that would make me the right choice for this position. I have a variety of past leadership experiences and I am currently serving as the chair of the Clinical Nutrition Council at Salem Hospital. Through this position I lead a team of nine dietitians through "Lean" project work and represent our department at the hospital wide monthly interdisciplinary team meetings. I have also served as an alumna advisor for the Oregon State chapter of Chi Omega since 2014. Through the Chi Omega advisory board I have held many positions, including president. I found president to be the most challenging, but also the most rewarding position, and learned valuable lessons that have changed that way I serve as a leader. Most importantly, I served as an Oregon Academy board member from 2016-2019. This experience has been pivotal in preparing me to serve as president elect. I am familiar with the day to day workings of the board as well as the successes and challenges that the board has faced in recent years. I am passionate about promoting the work of RDNs and NDTRs and making membership in the Oregon Academy valuable for nutrition professionals in our state. I am excited about the work that the Oregon Academy is currently doing- the strong and involved policy team, excellent yearly educational conferences, providing free webinars to members and launching a new, more functional website. As president elect I would be honored to continue supporting the work that the board is already doing and will ensure that we keep working towards providing our members with a worthwhile and valuable experience.</i> |



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Secretary

Gregory Lum, RD, LD

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| Education | University of California, Davis – BS, Clinical Nutrition; Davis, CA |
| Internship | Oregon State University |
| Employment | WIC Supervisor and Dietitian, Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic, Salem, OR – June 2019 to present WIC Dietitian, Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic, Woodburn, OR – August 2017 to June 2019 |
| Professional Activities | Oregon AND, Member, 2016-2019 California AND, Student Member, 2015-2016 California AND Northern Area District, Student Member, 2015-2016 |
| Awards | Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year, Washington, 2014 |
| Professional Statement | <i>From my undergraduate studies at UC Davis to my internship through OSU and on to the start of my career with WIC, I have had many opportunities to collaborate with teams of all size to manage meetings and projects. I enjoy taking meeting minutes as it helps me to stay organized and focused, and I know this is helpful for my teammates as well. Joining the OAND Executive Board will allow me to support the OAND by documenting meetings and decisions while also representing the community nutrition and social services side of our field.</i> |



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Director, Member Services

Christina Lowe, RDN, LD, CEDRD

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| Education: | University of California Chico, Chico , CA - B.S. Nutrition and Food Science |
| Internship: | Oregon Health and Science University, Portland/Medford/Ashland, Oregon – Certificate of Dietetic Internship |
| Employment: | Community Nutrition Educator, Center For Nutrition Activity Promotion (CNAP), Chico, California – December 2012-June 2014 Foodservice Nutrition Assistant, Asante Three Rivers Medical Center, Grants Pass, Oregon –October 2014-June 2015 Residential Inpatient Dietitian, Southern Oregon Rehabilitation Center and Clinic, White City, Oregon – June 2015 – Present |
| Professional Activities: | VA Patient Centered Care – Dietitian Committee Member – Aug 2015- Present VA Pressure Ulcer Committee – Dietitian Representative – Sept 2015- Present DPG Board Member Behavioral Health Nutrition – Nominating Chair June 2017-Present |
| Professional Statement | <i>Currently I work as the inpatient residential dietitian at the VA Southern Oregon Rehabilitation Center and Clinic. I work closely with an interdisciplinary team which has given me increased responsibility in patient care, and has strengthened my ability to work well with many diverse groups. I specialize in working with behavioral and mental health Veterans and providing them with nutrition rehabilitation. I am currently working towards obtaining my Certified Eating Disorder Registered Dietitians (CEDRD) Certification and am looking forward to increasing my education in the advancements of nutrition and mental health within the VA. On the local level, I have served on the Oregon Academy board for two consecutive years as the Educational Convention Chair which has given me a lot of insight for the Oregon Academy’s missions, goals and values. On the national level, I serve as the Nominating Chair for the Behavioral Health Nutrition DPG which has given me increased skills in networking and communication. My goals if elected are, to attend and bring a positive insight to all Oregon Academy meetings, reach out for new members in a creative and inspiring way, use my organizational skills to network and increase involvement and to ensure strong communication with the committee.</i> |

Director, Policy and Advocacy



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Robin Stanton, MA, RDN, LD

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| Education | University of California Davis, BS, Dietetics, Davis, CA California State University Los Angeles, MA, Nutrition, Los Angeles, CA |
| Internship | Nutrition Trainee, University Affiliated Program/Children's Hospital Los Angeles, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA |
| Employment | Nutrition Consultant, Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division, Portland OR – 1991 to present Nutrition Specialist, Special Children's Clinic, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Reno, NV – 1985 to 1990 Nutrition Specialist, Bureau of Regulatory Health Services, State of Nevada, Carson City, NV – 1985 to 1989 Nutrition Consultant, Private Practice, Reno, NV – 1986 to 1990 |
| Professional Activities | Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serve on Expert Advisory Panel for Child Nutrition Reauthorization 2019 to present • Breastfeeding Policy and Advocacy group 2017 to present • Pediatric Practice Group Legislative Co-Chair 2000 Oregon Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Legislative Chair and Co-Chair 1993-1996 Association of State Public Health Nutritionists (ASPHN) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immediate Past-President 2019 - 2020 • President 2018 - 2019 • President-Elect 2017 – 2018 • Maternal & Child Health Nutrition Council, Chair 2013 – 2015 • Director at Large 2002 - 2004 United States Breastfeeding Committee (USBC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Past-Chair 2011 – 2012 • Chair 2010 – 2011 • Chair-Elect 2009 – 2010 • Secretary 2007 - 2009 Oregon Public Health Association, Nutrition Section <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treasurer 1995-2006 • Chair 1993-1994 Nevada Dietetic Association <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President 1989-1990 • Treasurer/Secretary 1987 – 1989 |
| Awards | Outstanding Leadership for the Maternal & Child Health Nutrition Council 2015 Maternal and Child Health Nutrition Council, Association of State Public Health Nutritionists Distinguished Service Award 2011 and 2012 United States Breastfeeding Committee |

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| | <p>Excellence in Practice 2011 Association of State Public Health Nutritionists</p> <p>Public Health Genius Exceptional Achievement Award 2004 Oregon Public Health Institute</p> <p>Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year 1994 Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics</p> <p>Special Recognition Award 1994 Oregon Public Health Division</p> |
| <p>Professional Statement</p> | <p><i>I am honored to be on the ballot for Director of Policy and Advocacy! Throughout my career I have had the opportunity to be involved at local, state and national levels, advocating for policies supportive of nutrition and well-being. Advocacy has included promoting healthy school environments at the local level, working with state legislators to pass Oregon's breastfeeding in public law (1999), and most recently serving as a member of the Academy's expert work group on Child Nutrition Reauthorization. Through leadership roles in various associations I have been involved in monitoring legislation and regulations and providing testimony or submitting comments on a wide range of nutrition issues as well as meeting with congressional staff. I look forward to collaborating and building on the excellent work of leaders and policy team members of OAND!</i></p> |



Nominating Committee (vote for 2)

Tyler Boatright, RDN, LD

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| Education | B.S.; Oregon State University; Corvallis, OR |
| Internship | Dietetic Intern; University of Maryland; College Park, MD |
| Employment | Relief Dietitian; Providence Willamette Falls/Milwaukie Hospital/Portland Medical Center; December 2019-Current Center Manager/Operations Supervisor; Oregon State University; Corvallis, OR; June 2016-June 2018 Undergraduate Research Assistant; Oregon State University; Corvallis, OR; January 2017-June 2018 |
| Professional Activities | Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics; Member; 2016-Current AND Nutrition Informatics DPG; Advisory Committee Member; September 2019-Current |
| Awards | Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Marty Yadrick Scholarship, September 2018 Maryland AND Jane Hartman Scholarship, Summer 2018 Central Electric Cooperative Scholarship, Spring 2018 Awarded Ringe Scholarship, Winter 2016 and 2017 Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society Initiate, Winter 2016 |
| Professional Statement | <i>As a newly-credentialed Dietitian, I have an incredibly fresh memory of the transition from student to intern to Dietitian, and I feel that I'm uniquely able to relate to the voices that will make up the future of our organization. I'm familiar with the perspective of a DPD student that doesn't feel represented by their state organization, a Dietetic Intern that can't afford their membership dues, and a young RD that doesn't know how the CPE system works. I'm eager to encourage these under-represented groups to apply for the OAND Board and to be the change they want to see in our organization. I firmly believe that diversity makes teams and organizations stronger, a belief that informs my interest in promoting unique candidates with different backgrounds and experiences who are able to bring new perspectives and bold ideas. I have a strong drive to serve the Oregon Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics and an interest in helping others do the same. If chosen as a member of the Nominating Committee, I would encourage Registered Dietitians from all over our state and from every corner of our field to apply for OAND Board positions.</i> |



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Nominating Committee (vote for 2)

Nicole Choyce, MS, RD, LD

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| Education | Oregon Health and Science University; MS, Clinical Nutrition, 2016; Portland, OR San Jose State University; BS, Nutritional Science, concentration in dietetics, minor: Gerontology, 2014; San Jose, CA |
| Internship | OHSU 2014-15 |
| Employment | Inpatient Clinical Dietitian; Providence Medford Medical Center; Medford, OR; October 2016-present Outpatient Clinical Dietitian; VA Southern Oregon Rehabilitation Center and Clinics; White City, OR; January 2019-present |
| Professional Activities | VA Marketing and Nutrition Informatics Subcommittee, VA Pulse Workgroup Member, 2019 Portland Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Communications Chair, 2015-2016 Dietitians in Nutrition Support DPG, Student Coordinator, 2015-2016 Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Student Liaison, OHSU DI, 2014-2015 |
| Awards | The Josephine and Frank Morris Scholarship Award for Outstanding Performance and Professional Promise, San Jose State University, 2014 |
| Professional Statement | <i>Nutrition and health are passions of mine and I'm grateful for the support I've received to be in a position to help others live healthier lives. I'd love the opportunity to serve as a nominating committee member for the Oregon Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. My time working as a dietitian thus far has given me a better understanding of the important and impactful roles that we can take to help improve not only the health of our communities, but to help enrich the nutrition profession as well. My past experience volunteering as part of various professional groups at both the local and national levels has helped me to develop beneficial skills which allow me to work with a variety of different people. Serving as student coordinator (non-voting committee member) and communications chair have allowed me to express my own ideas and collaborate with other professionals in a significant way. My goal as a nominating committee member for the Oregon Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics is to utilize this gained knowledge to help initiate positive changes for the future by helping to identify other successful leaders for this profession. In doing this, I would also like to continue to gain additional leadership skills to help benefit the future of the dietetics profession. I look forward to working with the OAND leadership team in a meaningful way to affect positive change for the health of Oregon and beyond.</i> |



Nominating Committee (vote for 2)

Deanna Poynor, RDN

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| Education | Oregon State University, BS, Nutrition, Corvallis, OR Oregon State University, BS, Sustainability, Corvallis, OR |
| Internship | Oregon State University |
| Employment | Child Nutrition Specialist, Oregon Department of Education, Salem, OR – October 2017 - Present |
| Professional Activities | |
| Professional Statement | <i>If chosen to be a member of the nominating committee I aim to encourage others to be actively involved with the Oregon Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. I plan to do this by working with the board to seek nominees that will bring fresh ideas and focus on being an inclusive academy that represents the variety of disciplines and views of its members. I grew up in Oregon, completed my undergraduate and internship through Oregon State University, and now work for the Oregon Department of Education Child Nutrition Programs. Over the years, I have worked on making connections and building relationships with variety of nutrition professionals in Oregon. Including those who specialize with inpatient care, outpatient care, retail, and school and community programs. It is important that all nutrition professionals, regardless of their specialty, feel welcomed and represented by OAND. My goal, if chosen to be a member of the nominating committee is to help OAND reach nutrition professional across all specialties in Oregon.</i> |