

DATE: February 10, 2010

TO: Scout Executives, Area Directors, and Regional Directors

FROM: Donald D. Shepard, Jr., Program Impact Department

SUBJECT: **Nomination Form for 2010-2011 Regional Venturing President**
(Please copy and share with all professionals.)

PROCESS UPDATE: The Program Impact Department understands the confusion caused by the change of age requirement to apply for Regional Venturing President considering the limited notification provided. After careful consideration all regions will be asked to accept, for consideration, all completed nomination forms allowing the age requirement of less than 20 years of age on May 31, 2010. Additionally, we have extended the deadline date to March 15, 2010, see action required below.

This change of age requirement for Regional Venturing President nomination eligibility for the 2011-2012 year will be further reviewed for implementation at the new National Venturing Cabinet meeting being conducted at the National Annual Meeting site in May 2010. **The age requirement of less than 19 years of age for eligibility for 2011-2012 will occur.** The cabinet will determine the rollout process.

Within this packet you will find the nomination form for regional Venturing president for the 2010-2011 year. In years past, local councils across the country have prepared outstanding young men and women who have served on the national youth cabinet representing their respective regions.

Each council having a Venturer who meets the qualifications listed below may nominate this individual to represent its region. Only one nomination per council will be allowed.

Term of Office: The regional Venturing presidents will serve from June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011.

Action: Each council wishing to nominate a Venturer should approve and forward the attached nomination form to the national Program Impact Department, S209 by March 15, 2010. Nominations and photos may be scanned and emailed to Angela.Elliott@scouting.org.

Note: *The national Venturing president will be selected from the 2009-2010 regional Venturing presidents. By using this process the national Venturing president will have one year's experience before taking office. It also gives the regional Venturing presidents something to aspire to for the following year. A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to the national Venturing president at the end of his or her term.*

cc: Gary Butler, Assistant Chief Scout Executive
Sam Thompson, Regional Coordinator
Wayne Brock, Assistant Chief Scout Executive
James Shearer, manager, Program Impact Department

2010-2011 Regional Venturing President Council Nomination Form

Nomination form deadline: March 15, 2010 Mail to: Boy Scouts of America,
Program Impact Department, S209
PO Box 152079
Irving TX 75015-2079

Council headquarters city _____ Council No. _____ Region _____ Area _____

Nominates the following Venturer for regional Venturing president, who meets the qualifications listed on the reverse side of this form.

Name _____
(Type or print)

Home address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (Day) _____ (Evening) _____ Cell No. _____
(Area code + No.) (Area code + No.) (Area code + No.)

E-mail _____

Age on May 31, 2010 _____ Birth date _____ Currently registered in Crew No. _____

Chartered organization _____

_____ Present (or) _____ Past teen leader's council officer and position held _____

_____ Crew president service dates _____

Yes, our candidate will be able to attend the BSA National Annual Meeting, May 26-29, 2010, in Dallas, Texas, and the National Youth Cabinet orientation, July 7-11, 2010, in Irving, Texas.

Nominee's agreement: *I am able and willing to run for Regional Venturing President. I meet the qualifications listed. If selected by my region, I will serve as its Regional Venturing President. If selected as National Youth President following my term as Regional Venturing President, I will serve to the best of my ability. I will be able to attend the BSA National Annual Meeting, May 26-29, 2010, in Dallas, Texas, and the National Youth Cabinet orientation, July 7-11, 2010, in Irving, Texas. This is mandatory and expenses are paid.*

Signed _____ Date _____
(Nominee)

Parent(s) approval _____ Date _____

Crew Advisor _____ Date _____

Local council approval: *We recommend and approve this Venturer as our council's nominee for Regional Venturing President. He or she meets the qualifications listed on the back of this form.*

Signed _____ Date _____
(Scout Executive)

Regional Venturing President Overview

Purpose: To clarify the required qualifications, selection process, and role of regional Venturing presidents.

Background: Even though Venturing was officially started in 1998, its youth officers follow a long tradition started when the first regional and national Exploring officers were elected at the first national Exploring Congress held in Washington, D.C. Since that time, many quality young men and women have effectively led the BSA's premier young adult program.

Qualifications for the Office of Regional Venturing President

1. Be a currently registered Venturer in his or her council.
2. Be a present or past crew president, or a present or past chair or officer in his or her council's teen leader's council or equivalent district or council organization in his or her council.
3. Be recommended and approved by his or her council.
4. Be less than 20 years of age on May 31, 2010
5. Be able to attend the BSA National Annual Meeting, May 26-29, 2010, in Dallas, Texas and the national Venturing cabinet orientation, July 7-11, 2010 in Irving, Texas.

Term of Office

The regional Venturing president will serve from June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011.

Responsibilities (Position Description)

1. Serves as youth Venturing president on the regional program committee and/or the regional board if so desired by the regional director.
2. Responsible to the staff member assigned by the national Program Impact Department.
3. **Mandatory attendance at the national Venturing cabinet orientation.**
4. Supports the programs and activities designated by the region.
5. Agrees to represent Venturing for special projects and on task forces as assigned by the national Program Impact Department or regional director.
6. Attends and participates in regional, national and international meetings and activities as requested and approved by the Program Impact Department, Chief Scout Executive, or regional director.
7. Attends regional, area and council meetings and activities when invited and approved by the Program Impact Department.
8. Assists councils with Venturing activities upon the request of the region.
9. Promotes national, regional and area activities, programs and awards.
10. Supports the region in any effort to train council Venturing officers and Advisors.
11. Serves in a leadership role for any national event as assigned by the National Youth President and Program Impact Department.
12. Agrees to wear the Venturing uniform and identity items as suggested by the regional staff members assigned to Venturing (paid for at own expense).
13. Agrees to resign from office if requested by the regional director or Program Impact Department.

The nominee should attach no more than six 8 ½ x 11-inch pages on white paper to this application stating his or her qualifications for Regional Venturing President. These may be submitted electronically.

Do not enclose them in notebooks, binders, or sheet protectors.

These pages should include:

1. Experience as the crew president or teen leaders' council chair or other Venturing officer
2. Non-Scouting awards, recognitions, and scholarships
3. Scouting experience
4. School, clubs, sports, and other leadership positions
5. A statement on present school status and college or career plans
6. A brief statement on why you want to be Regional Venturing President
7. Other information on your qualifications to run for office

Selection Process:

1. Election/selection process varies by region.
2. Regions may select their Regional Venturing President through a process approved by the Program Impact Department.
3. There is a nationally produced council nomination form for nomination of candidates for the Regional Venturing President that is due to the Program Impact Department, S209 by March 15, 2010.
4. For those regions that select their Regional Venturing President, it is suggested that a representation of the region personally interview each of the top three candidates before making their selection.
5. Regional staff members, volunteers, and especially the person who will serve as the staff adviser to the Regional Venturing President, are invited and encouraged to attend the National Court of Honor on May 28, 2010. At that time, the new National Youth President and Regional Venturing Presidents will be installed and the outgoing presidents will be recognized.

Attach a 3x5 photograph for publicity purposes. This should be a head-and-shoulders shot with the Venturing uniform and of **reproduce quality**.

Costs: The regions will pay expenses for the 2009-2010 outgoing regional Venturing presidents attending the National Annual Meeting and Venturing court of honor while the National Program Impact Department will pay the travel expenses of the incoming 2010-2011 Regional Venturing Presidents.

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Date received _____ (March 15, 2010, due date)