Declaration of Candidacy

Board of Directors and Committee Members will be required to commit significant time to achieve the objectives of NANOG. Please limit your response to one page.
Please complete the attached form and forward by E-mail to elections@nanog.org

Due:
- **Board of Directors**: No later than October 1, 2012
- **Committees**: No later than October 23, 2012

**PLEASE NOTE**: Only NANOG Members can run for leadership positions. All candidates must be willing to serve for a one or two year term, to be determined by the membership during the ballot process.

Each candidate must declare any and all affiliation(s) relevant to NANOG, which will include his or her main employer, as well as any other major relationships (for instance, if a candidate's primary employer is a nonprofit entity which is sponsored by a vendor, the candidate would declare both the nonprofit and the vendor as affiliations).

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The Candidate should complete the declaration and as relevant, provide his or her answers to the questions outline below. The form should then be returned to NANOG via e-mail by the date given above. Faxed or mailed copies will not be accepted.

**Declaration**

I hereby signify my willingness to stand for office as candidate for:

**Communication Committee**

I agree, that if elected, I will adhere to the Bylaws and Policies and Procedures of NANOG currently in force and as may be amended by the membership from time to time.

1) Provide a brief biography of recent experience, associations, and affiliations relevant to serving on the NANOG Board of Directors or NANOG Committees. Please be as specific as possible.
From 1997-2006, I served as a network engineer for New Mexico State University. One of my duties at NMSU was CHECS-NET, a network that connected K-20 institutions in the state of NM.

In 2006, I worked as a network engineer for the University of Texas System. The UT system network connected the fifteen UT institutions, as well as many other K-20 institutions in Texas.

My present position is Senior Network Engineer for Lonestar Education and Research Network. LEARN connects higher education institutions in Texas to commercial internet providers, as well as research networks.

I have been on the NANOG mailing list for many years. I'm presently subscribed as bhicks@noc.tx-learn.net. I presently moderate the lists.tx-learn.net mailing lists.

The following questions are to be answered by Board of Directors Candidates ONLY

2) Describe the relevance of your technical and professional experience to serve on the position you are interested in.

3) What Internet-related services do you or your current employer or organization provide?

4) Are there any conflicts, real or perceived that might arise should you be elected as a NANOG Board of Directors or Committee member?

5) What contributions do you plan to make to NANOG over the next year? What are your personal objectives should you be elected?

6) What advantages does and will NANOG gain by your contribution of resources, contacts or influence in the industry?

7) Describe any concerns or limitations on your ability to participate or travel to attend Board or Committees Conference Calls or, Meetings, and NANOG Meetings in person or to serve the entirety of your term.

8) Board and Committee experience, if applicable: