**McDonald Observatory and Department of Astronomy - Board of Visitors**

**Vetting Report (revised 9/16/2022)**

Complete this Vetting Report form based on your phone/in-person interview with individual or couple. Present the completed form to the Nominating Committee of the Board of Visitors (BOV) for possible recommendation. Nominees approved by the Nominating Committee will then be recommended to the Executive Committee as potential nominees to membership in the BOV.

Completed forms should be emailed to both Sam Cooper, Nominating Committee Chair, at coop826@gmail.com and Anna Boxall, Membership Relations and Event Planning Coordinator for McDonald Observatory, at [anna.boxall@austin.utexas.edu](mailto:anna.boxall@austin.utexas.edu).

**Vetter**

Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

**Sponsor (Current member recommending the potential nominee for membership)**

Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

**Potential Nominee(s)**

Name(s):

Address:

Email Address:

Phone Number

Business Name:

Bus. Address:

Bus. Phone

Bus. Email Address:

Bus. Website:

**Vetter, please answer the following questions about the potential nominee(s):**

1. General Background
2. How did nominee(s) develop an interest in astronomy?
3. How did nominee(s) learn about the Board of Visitors?
4. What about the McDonald Observatory and Department of Astronomy interests the nominee(s) - the technology, science, support of the Observatory as an institute of public education or community asset?
5. Does the candidate expect to be able to attend the upcoming BOV meetings?
   1. View upcoming meeting schedule online: <https://sites.cns.utexas.edu/bov/meetings>
6. Is the individual comfortable with the minimum annual membership gift of $2,000?
7. Does the candidate have any particular questions about the role of the BOV or about membership and meeting processes?

**Vetter’s General Comments** (with particular emphasis on the following criteria as recommended in the Executive Committee’s Memorandum on November 2, 2017)

1. Passion for astronomy
2. Philanthropic capacity (both in giving or raising funds)
3. Capacity and willingness to advocate with Key Constituents, including State Legislature

**Vetter’s Recommendation**

Do you recommend the potential nominee(s) be presented to the Executive Committee for approval (yes/no)?

Signature:

Date: