

Article V
LTER Network Executive Committee

Section 1. Executive Committee: There shall be established an Executive Committee of the LTER Network comprising the elected Chair of the Coordinating Committee serving as Chair of the Executive Committee, and six additional members elected by the Coordinating Committee. The Coordinating Committee may determine by vote at the time of each election that specific areas be represented in the Executive Committee (such as Data Management). For such specified areas, the elections shall be from nominees representing that area. Other Executive Committee members representing the LTER community are elected from nominations from the Coordinating Committee. Elected members of the Executive Committee shall have terms of three (3) years or until a successor is duly elected. Terms of the members of the Executive Committee will be staggered, so that the terms of one-third of the members expire each year. During the first Coordinating Committee meeting of each calendar year, two new members will be elected to replace those whose terms are expiring. The Coordinating Committee may determine by vote at the time of each election that specific areas be represented in the Executive Committee (such as Data Management). For such specified areas, the elections shall be from nominees representing that area. Candidates can be nominated by any member of the LTER Network, but only those candidates who agree to serve beforehand will be eligible for election. The two candidates receiving the most votes will be elected. Current and past Executive Committee members can serve additional terms if duly elected by the Coordinating Committee. In the event that an elected member of the Executive Committee is not able to fulfill his or her term, the Executive Committee will choose a replacement to complete the term. The Executive Director of the Office shall serve as an ex officio member of the Executive Committee.