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Board of Director Election Results
At the Project Management Institute – Houston Chapter, Inc.

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29-Feb-08	Distribute nominee questionnaire to current Chapter members.
09-Apr-08	Acceptance of submitted nominee questionnaire deadline.
14-May-08	Nominations accepted from floor of chapter meeting after which nominations are closed.
15-May-08	Instructions for voting distributed.
16-May-08	Voting commences.
05-Jun-08	Voting closes.
07-Jul-08	Voting result announced to BOD prior to announcement to membership at large.
08-Jul-08 & 09-Jul-08	Announcement to membership at July Chapter meeting.

The elections were held in May 2008 for the PMI Houston Chapter (PMIH) positions of **VP of Membership, VP of Public Relations, and VP of E-Business.**

The Board of Directors election process at the Project Management Institute – Houston Chapter, Inc. ***was scheduled as shown on the first page.***



A description of the duties and responsibilities of these positions can be found at

<http://www.pmihouston.org/index.php?mo=cm&op=ld&&fid=12>

(click on the Download Chapter Structure Definitions link). These positions **require a two-year commitment**, starting on January 1, 2009, after a six-month overlap, which will begin in July 2008.

The PMI Houston Chapter was looking for candidates who can make a difference in the Chapter and help grow the Association in the Houston area.

For informational purposes, you may download the election package (set of documents including candidate biography, commitment and information form) required for the election process at:

<http://www.pmihouston.org/index.php?mo=do&op=sd&sid=266&type=0>.



Mr. Walter Viali, 2008 PMIH Past President, was in charge of the election process and for further information, please contact him at viali@earthlink.net.

(2009 – 2010) PMIH Board of Directors Election Results:

	<p>Vice-President of Membership 2009 – 2010 <i>Ms. Diane Wilson</i></p>	
	<p>Vice-President of Marketing 2009 – 2010 <i>Ms. Marlene King</i></p>	
	<p>Vice-President of E-Business 2009 – 2010 <i>Mr. Robert Masch, PMP</i></p>	

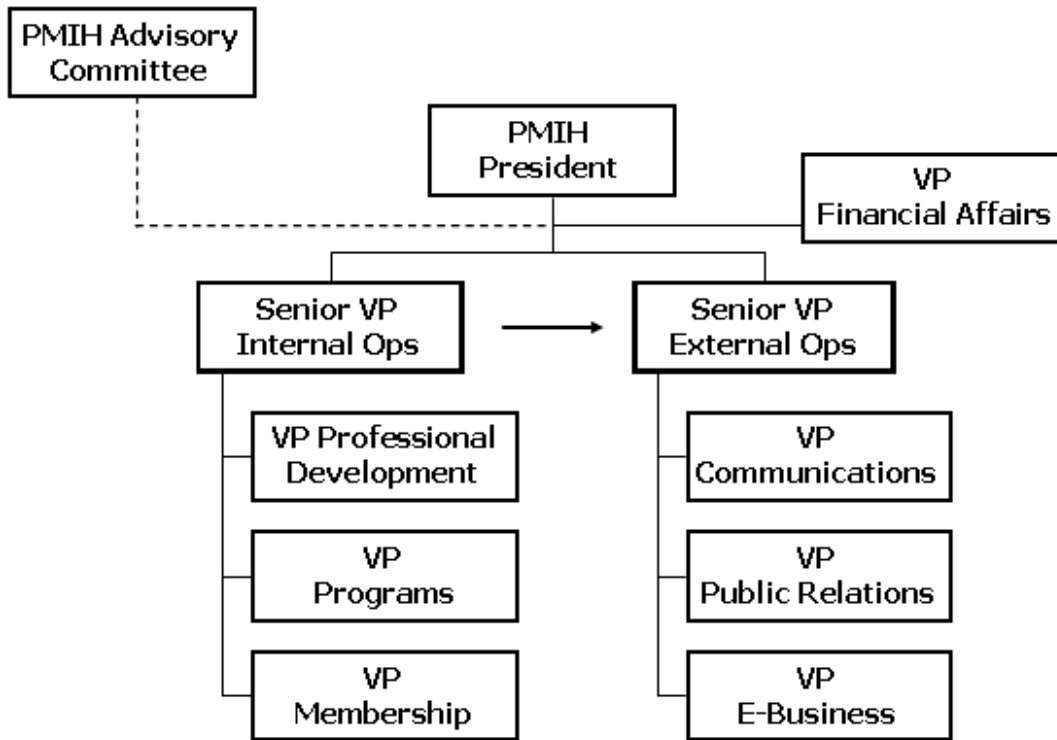
The Board of Directors at the Project Management Institute – Houston Chapter, Inc. has great gender diversity, 30% of the leaders are women which one of them is currently the PMIH 2008 President (Ms. Caroline Gormley).

Additionally, there is a mix of cultures at the Board level from France, Italy, Scotland and even Texas.



Succession Planning and Experienced Board of Directors:

Once an elected leader is on the PMIH Board, he / she will commit to his / her role for 2 years, at the end of his / her terms and if the majority of the Board votes in his / her favor for a more experienced leadership role, he / she will have another 4 years on the Board respectively as Senior VP of Internal Operations, Senior VP of External Operations, President and Past President. In any case, the elected leader can also decide to continue as a Board of Director in another area or the same.



Finally, the PMIH Advisory Committee consists of members who have been PMIH President (as of 2008, Mr. Walter A. Viali – 2007 President, Mr. Donald Grosskreut – 2006 President, Mr. Stephen Schuster – 2005 President and Robert Mills – 2002 President).

PMI® Houston, hereby known as “CHAPTER”, was founded in 1974, and was the first Chapter to receive a charter from PMI® Global, the parent organization. PMI® Houston Chapter is one of the best professional organizations for established project managers and those beginning their journey into the project management industry. The Houston CHAPTER is a member of the PMI® Region 6. True to the Texas spirit, the Houston CHAPTER strives to be the biggest and best of its kind in the country, and has a rich tradition of service and leadership:

- Two-time National Meeting and Seminar/ Symposium host, each time setting attendance records
- Two of the five PMI® Founders were Chapter members
- Five Chapter members have served as PMI® Board President/Chairman
- Consistently ranked as one of PMI's® largest Chapters

The Houston CHAPTER is one of the largest in the country, boasting more than 2600 members. Members come from all sectors where Project Management plays a crucial role, including Engineering and Construction, Industrial, Information Systems, Oil and Gas, Healthcare, Education, Telecommunications, Government, Marketing and Advertising, and Service/Support sectors. The Chapter holds meetings at various locations in the Houston metropolitan area; check our Programs page for details. We invite you to learn more on how to become involved in this dynamic organization, or consider becoming a member.



If you would like to contact one of the PMIH Board of Directors, please go to <http://www.pmihouston.org/index.php?mo=cm&op=ld&&fid=10>.

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He currently holds a Masters degree in Computer Engineering from the Université de Technologie de Compiègne (UTC) in France as well as a Bachelor degree in Electrical Engineering from the Institut Universitaire de Technologie de Créteil (IUT) in France and he has also acquired several credentials such as Certified Associate Business Manager (CABM), Project Management Professional (PMP), Certified Information Security Manager (CISM) and Foundation Level in Information Technology Infrastructure Library (ITIL).

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