

Bradford Whitcomb-Independent Candidate

Candidate Summary: Dr. Whitcomb brings significant leadership experience to the Board, serving as a US Army officer and now working as a surgeon. He has one child involved in competitive paddling and another involved in hockey, giving him a view of successful programs from different perspectives. He voiced strong support for youth and club-oriented programs that would lead to ACA's long-term growth. In addition, his medical experience would strengthen ACA's ability to address paddler health issues.

Resume Summary: Dr. Bradford P. Whitcomb, MD, is a highly qualified leader in the field of Obstetrics and Gynecology, currently serving as Chair, Department of Gynecologic Oncology at Billings Clinic Cancer Center in Montana. With extensive experience in academic and clinical settings, he has consistently demonstrated a commitment to excellence, transparency, and strategic vision in his roles, including leadership positions at military medical facilities. His background in organizational governance, combined with a strong focus on education and policy development, aligns well with the ACA's mission. Dr. Whitcomb's ability to foster collaboration, engage in constructive dialogue, and uphold regulatory standards is complemented by his dedication to athlete safety and organizational integrity. He is prepared to contribute actively as a board member, providing strategic direction, financial oversight, and guidance on the implementation of policies that align with ACA's goals and values.

Why are you interested in serving on ACA's Board? I have been an actively involved parent for 15 years and volunteer for the Ikaika club. Also have served in the capacity of race coordinator for Ikaika for several years. My son is a long term aca athlete and coach. I am in the capacity as a parent and physician and think I would have a lot to offer for the development of youth and young adult athletes.

What specific knowledge, skills, abilities and talents do you bring? Physician (Gynecologic Oncology/ob/gyn) for 25 yrs. Military (army) officer > 25 years now retired. Long term parent volunteer with Ikaika. 5 children with parenting skills that follow.

Do you have any previous experience or are you currently serving on a non-profit Board? No

What do you expect from the ACA to make service on the Board personally rewarding for you? Volunteer work with an organization I love and support. Assist youth and young adult paddlers on their journey through leadership and recommendations with my broad background in medicine and leadership.

Can you describe your understanding of the ACA, roles and responsibilities? I have safe sport trained multiple times and fully support the goals and objectives of youth/young adult/coach development in a safe environment with transparency and interruptibility. I aim to move the organization to the best place possible for future athletes and coaches. This is a lifelong sport and commitment at many levels which I believe makes aca unique and important.

Resume: [Whitcomb Resume](#)