



Ambassadors Circle Charter

AUTHORITY

This committee provides a specific purpose to its members and to Delta Waterfowl with no official authority listed in Delta's bylaws.

PURPOSE

To recognize exemplary leadership, provide for and benefit from ongoing engagement, share current information, and offer continued resources and influence to former members of the Board of Directors (BoD) of the Delta Waterfowl Foundation.

1. **Advocate and influence:** Work with current Delta staff and active Board members to introduce new people and organizations to our mission, vision and current initiatives.
2. **Give:** Contribute to the annual Ambassadors Circle Giving Campaign and help raise much-needed funds for research, conservation and advocacy efforts.
3. **Serve as an intellectual resource:** Share institutional knowledge and guidance to help expand Delta's presence and impact across North America.

MEMBERSHIP

1. Individual members of the Ambassadors Circle (AC) are required to personally give a minimum \$5,000 per year and raise an additional \$5,000 per year to benefit Delta Waterfowl. Exceptions may be made for gifts of time or talent at the discretion of the Steering Committee.
2. Invitation for AC membership will be offered by the CEO to former Board of Director members whose term expired in good standing. This membership list will be annually reviewed by the Chief Development Officer (CDO) and all inactive and deceased members will be removed.
3. Members will select their Steering Committee representatives from a list of all current AC members via electronic vote every three years.
4. Ex-Officio leadership includes the CEO and CDO.

AMBASSADORS CIRCLE COMMITTEE RECOGNITION AND ACTIVITIES

1. Yearly name recognition in the Delta Waterfowl magazine and Annual Report.
2. Name recognition at the Delta Headquarters Office and on Delta's website.
3. Special annual gatherings as organized by the Steering Committee (e.g., group hunt, research field day).

STEERING COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP

1. Consists of seven members, with three-year terms and no limit on consecutive terms.
2. Candidates for steering committee Chair must be approved by the DW BoD.
3. Members of the Steering Committee will govern the activities of the AC and have the authority to make decisions on behalf of the AC and its members.
4. Will meet at least two times per year with their staff liaison to plan annual communications, gatherings and activities.
5. Specific fundraising activities and campaigns must fall within the mission and vision of Delta and be pre-approved by the CEO.
6. Will review this charter document periodically and recommend updates to the staff liaison.
7. A Chairperson will be appointed from within the Steering Committee. The additional responsibilities of the Chairperson include:
 - a. attending Board of Directors meetings or send a representative(s) upon invitation by the Board of Directors.
 - b. providing an update of AC activities to the Board of Directors at least once per year.

