



**Finding a Path for your CACEE Volunteer Career**

## Introduction

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with CACEE. Our Association relies upon the support of volunteers like you so we want to give you the opportunity to make the most of your involvement. What follows is a Guide to help you develop a path for your CACEE volunteer career.

## Typical Path

### Step 1 – Membership

In order to be a volunteer with CACEE, you must first be a member. To find out more about CACEE Membership, click here: <http://cacee.com/membership.html>

### Step 2 – Tell Us You’re Interested

CACEE offers many ways for our members to become involved as volunteers, all you need to do is ask. Find someone active within the organization, tell them you’re interested in volunteering, and ask them how they got started. Here’s some people you might approach:

- The National Board of Directors contact info can be found at [http://cacee.com/national\\_board.html](http://cacee.com/national_board.html)
- Executive Director Paul Smith can be reached at [pauls@cacee.com](mailto:pauls@cacee.com)

### Step 3 – Identify your Entry-Level Opportunity

CACEE Volunteer opportunities offer varying levels of involvement, and require different levels of commitment. When you are thinking about getting involved, you should give thought to how much time you can make available. Here’s a quick guide:

*Table 1 Volunteer Commitment Levels*

Minimal Commitment	Moderate Commitment	More Commitment
Local Level Event Steering Cttee	Working Groups	National Board of Directors
Some Working Groups	Operating Committees	Regional Advisory Board
	Regional Level Event Steering Cttee	National Level Event Steering Cttee
		Board Committees

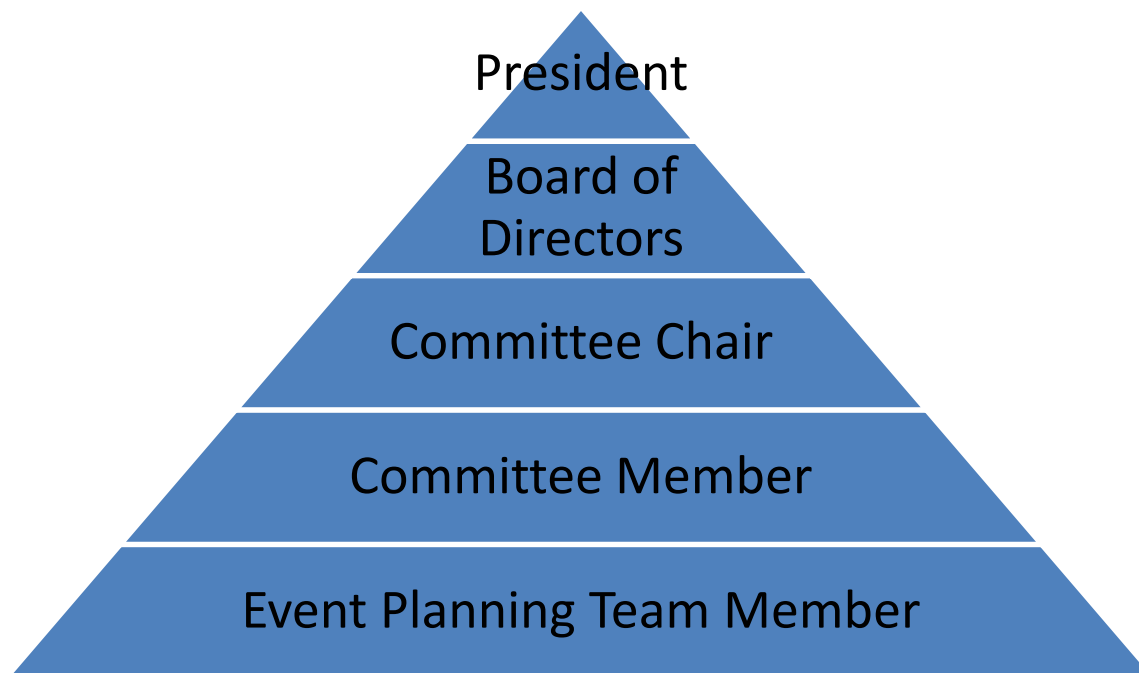
- For more info check <http://cacee.com/committees.html> to see our list of committees, or [http://cacee.com/regional\\_boards.html](http://cacee.com/regional_boards.html) to see about our Regional Advisory Boards.

## Step 4 – Grow Your CACEE Career

Once you have been involved as a volunteer with CACEE you will discover exciting things

- Your personal and professional network will grow
- Your understanding of the business, and the Association will grow
- Your profile will grow
- Your opportunities for continued involvement will grow

Growing your CACEE Career is not unlike growing a professional career. You get started as a member on an event planning team (entry-level opportunity) and then you move on to a position on a Committee (junior role). Next, you Chair that Committee (Management) and then you're running for a Director's Role on the National Board (Executive). And for the select few, there's the Presidency (Corner Office).



## Conclusion

Not all CACEE Careers will happen this way, some may grow faster, others may start and stop and still others might find a spot they're comfortable with, and stay there. In large part, the choices are yours to make. The opportunities are there for you to make out of them what you will.

Many CACEE volunteers would tell you that you get out of it what you put into it. It's a great opportunity to be able to make an impact on relevant issues and topics that relate to our business of student/new grad career education and employment. We look forward to working with you!