



Candidate's Package for  
**Advisory Committee Membership**

**March 2026**

# Your Local Voice Matters

## Join Your Advisory Committee

### What is an Advisory Committee?

It's a small group of local members who represent your branch's interests and bring forward ideas, concerns, and feedback to Blue Group Savings. Advisory Committees ensure local voices shape Credit Union decisions.

### Why should I join?

Because your community deserves a strong voice. As a member, you can:

- Help guide local programs and services
- Influence decisions that impact your branch
- Strengthen community connections
- Share ideas that improve member experience

Your perspective matters — and will directly help shape the future of Blue Group Savings.

### What does the Advisory Committee do?

Advisory Committees:

- Bring member feedback to the Credit Union
- Recommend local initiatives, events, and community programs
- Support communication and engagement
- Advocate for branch needs and priorities

You help ensure your branch stays strong, vibrant, and heard.

### How much time is required?

Committees meet at least three times a year — with occasional participation in community events or branch activities. Meetings can happen in person or online. Your term in the role last for 2 years. This position is volunteer-based, reflecting the spirit of community service that makes our work possible.

### Who can apply?

Any member of your local branch who wants to contribute, cares about the community, and is ready to bring their voice to the table. Members are recommended locally and approved by the Board of Directors (via the BGS Committee).

### How do I apply?

Complete the nomination package.

### Where can I get more information?

If you have any questions or need more information, don't hesitate to reach out to the Advisory Committee Member Nominating Committee at [bgs@polcu.com](mailto:bgs@polcu.com).

### When is the applications due?

Candidate Packages will be accepted between March 5 and 31.

## Your voice matters.

**Join the Advisory Committee and help make sure your branch's needs, ideas, and future are represented at the heart of Blue Group Savings.**

# 1. Candidate Eligibility

## Disqualification Criteria:

An individual is not eligible to serve as a member if any of the following apply:

1. One whose membership in any credit union has been terminated, other than voluntarily.
2. One who has been found under the Substitute Decisions Act, 1992 or under the Mental Health Act to be incapable of managing property or who has been found to be incapable by a court in Canada or elsewhere.
3. One who is an undischarged bankrupt or who has been discharged as a bankrupt in the five years preceding the date on which the individual may be selected as a member.
4. One who is more than 90 days in arrears in the payment of a debt owed to the credit union, unless the credit union has agreed to extend the time for repayment.
5. One who is a listed person within the meaning of the United Nations Suppression of Terrorism Regulations under the United Nations Act (Canada).
6. One who has been convicted, in the five years preceding the date on which the individual may be selected as a member, of an offence described in subsection (3) and who has not received a pardon for the offence.
7. One whose membership in a professional association has been terminated, in the five years preceding the date on which the individual may be selected as a member, for professional misconduct.
8. An employee of the credit union or a central in which the credit union is a member or the employee's spouse, parent or child.
9. A professional advisor who provides services to the credit union in the individual's professional capacity or who has provided such services in the three years preceding the date on which the individual may be selected as a member.
10. An employee, director or officer of the Authority.
11. A public servant employed under Part III of the Public Service of Ontario Act, 2006 whose employment duties include regulating credit unions.

## Eligibility Criteria

An individual is eligible to serve as a member only if they meet all of the following requirements—must be a natural person who:

- is, and has been for at least two (2) years preceding that time, a member of the Credit Union branch in full compliance with the minimum membership share requirements;
- is at least eighteen years of age;
- is a Canadian citizen or a person lawfully admitted to Canada for permanent residency who is ordinarily resident in Canada;
- has not at any time initiated or participated in any action that exposed the Credit Union to a financial risk or expenditure, or, by their actions, tarnished the Credit Union's reputation and image; and
- is not a former employee or elected official involuntarily removed from an elected position, or dismissed by a disciplinary action, or dismissed for any other reason.

## Candidate Package Requirements:

**You must submit the following elements as part of your Candidate Package:**

- Nominator Confirmation
- Nominee Acknowledgement and Undertaking (signed and witnessed by Branch Manager)
- Resume/Curriculum Vitae
- Statutory Declaration (signed and witnessed by Branch Manager)
- Authorization to Conduct Searches Against Nominee (signed and witnessed by Branch Manager)

**It is the responsibility of the nominee to ensure that the nomination is received before the end of the Nomination Period. Nominations close and must be received in person by the close of business on Tuesday, March 31, 2026.**

## 2. Nominator Confirmation

**You must provide at least (1) one nominator from your branch.**

Each nominator must complete all fields in the nomination form as follows: account number in column A, print their name in column B, telephone number in column C, sign in column D, have a witness sign in column E (excluding the candidate), have the witness print their name in column F, witness telephone number in column G and insert date in column H.

Candidates can obtain witness signatures by scanning and/or emailing the form.

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
	<b>Nominator's Account No.</b>	<b>Name of Nominator</b>	<b>Nominator's Tel. No.</b>	<b>Nominator's Signature</b>	<b>Witness' Signature</b>	<b>Witness' Printed Name</b>	<b>Witness' Tel. No.</b>	<b>Date</b>
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### 3. Nominee Acknowledgement and Undertaking

I understand that I will be contacted by the Blue Group Savings Committee no later than April 15, 2026, regarding the validation of my candidate package. I further understand that only candidates who successfully pass the validation stage will be invited to the next step of the nomination process: the interviews.

By marking off the box below, I accept my nomination for the position of Advisory Committee Member and certify the following:

- I am a member in good standing of the Dundalk District Branch of Blue Group Savings.
- I am a member in good standing of the Adjala Savings Branch of Blue Group Savings.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Nominee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness (Branch Manager)

Nominee's Account Number:

\_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Address:

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## 4. Resume/Curriculum Vitae

**You may either: (1) Attach your resume/CV; or (2) Complete the information in the fields below.**

NAME OF NOMINEE:

Reason for Seeking Election:  
(Brief explanation of why you wish to serve)

Education:  
(Degrees, diplomas, certificates, relevant training)

Credit Union or Financial Institution Experience:  
(If applicable)

Employment Experience:  
(Brief summary of current and past roles)

Community Experience:  
(Volunteer work, committees, boards, organizations)

Statement of Interest  
(Maximum 400 words)

## 5. Statutory Declaration

TO WIT:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
of \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

### **DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:**

1. I am not:
  - (a) one whose membership in any credit union has been terminated, other than voluntarily;
  - (b) one who a court has decided is of unsound mind;
  - (c) one who is an undischarged bankrupt or who has been discharged as a bankrupt in the five years preceding the date on which he or she may be selected as a Member;
  - (d) one who is unable to obtain a bond of an insurer licensed under the *Insurance Act* to write surety and fidelity insurance;
  - (e) one who is more than 90 days in arrears in the payment of a debt owed to the credit union unless the credit union has agreed to extend the time for repayment;
  - (f) one who is a listed person within the meaning of the United Nations Suppression of Terrorism Regulations under the *United Nations Act (Canada)*;
  - (g) one who has been convicted, in the five years preceding the date on which he or she may be selected as a Member, of an offence as detailed in i) – iv) below, and who has not received a pardon for the offence that;
    - (i) is related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a Member of a body corporate;
    - (ii) involves theft or fraud;
    - (iii) involves a contravention or failure to comply with this Act, a predecessor of this Act or an Act governing a subsidiary of the credit union; or
    - (iv) involves a contravention or failure to comply with the *Securities Act*.
    - (v) Sheriff's execution
  - (h) one whose membership in a professional association has been terminated, in the five years preceding the date on which he or she may be selected as Member, for professional misconduct;
  - (i) an employee of a credit union or a league in which the credit union is a member or his or her spouse, parent or child;
  - (j) a professional advisor who provides services to the credit union in his or her professional capacity or who has provided such services in the three years preceding the date on which he or she may be selected as a Member;
  - (k) an employee of the Credit Union;
  - (l) a public servant employed under Part III of the *Public Service of Ontario Act, 2006* whose employment duties include regulating Credit Unions;
  - (m) not a director, officer, employee, or agent of an entity (other than any other entity for which an exception has been made by the Board from time to time) that is engaged in, or has the reasonable potential to be engaged in, business activity materially and directly competing with the then existing or proposed activities or business of the Credit Union;
  - (n) is free of any real or perceived conflict of interest that might reasonably be expected (based on a legal opinion), to prevent him or her from acting in the best interests of the Credit Union as a whole, and independently of any particular interest arising as a result of any previous, existing, or future relationship with the Credit Union, its Members, customers, competitors, or suppliers;

2. I am, or at the time of the election will be:
  - (a) a member of the Credit Union branch for at least two (2) continuous years immediately preceding the current election;
  - (b) at least 18 years of age; and
  - (c) a Canadian citizen or a person lawfully admitted to Canada for permanent residency and ordinarily resident in Canada.
3. My Resume/CV is true and correct in all respects.
4. I understand that the willful provision of false information on this statutory declaration will result in automatic disqualification.

**AND I MAKE THIS SOLEMN DECLARATION conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act.**

**DECLARED BEFORE ME**

at the City of \_\_\_\_\_ in the Province of Ontario

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Nominee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness (Branch Manager)

## 6. Authorization to Conduct Searches Against Nominee

I, \_\_\_\_\_, applicant to be considered as a potential nominee for selection to the position of **Advisory Committee Member** hereby give authority/permission to the Blue Group Savings Committee or their designate to conduct searches against me in respect of bankruptcy, credit bureaus, lawsuits, and such other searches as the Blue Group Savings Committee will determine is necessary and reasonable in order to verify compliance with our By-law No.1 and the Act.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026

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Signature of Nominee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness (Branch Manager)