

1. Explain your interest in serving as this board position. If you are applying for multiple positions, briefly describe your interest in each.

After being a member of AMSA for two semesters, I've really grown to enjoy what AMSA has to offer overall. AMSA has allowed me to interact with other pre-health students who are all interested in the same cause – pursuing a future in health. Being on the fundraising committee for two consecutive semesters has exposed me to a different side, allowing me to make an impact on AMSA overall. I've deeply enjoyed being a part of the fundraising committee thus far, and have gained an experience that has shaped me into a more responsible, knowledgeable, and confident individual. This is why I want to serve as the fundraising chair – out of my own enjoyment in being on the fundraising committee, I can't help but to try to become more involved. I feel that this opportunity would give me the ability to have a more active role in seeing to the continued success of AMSA, as well as helping its growth in the future. With my own ambitions and goals, I believe that I can take steps to making AMSA and the Fundraising committee more efficient in its procedures. I want the ability to further influence the committee with my personal ambitions and work to execute changes that I believe will make the committee even more successful, and I see no better way in doing so by being the committee chair.

2. Explain your strengths and how they will contribute to your performance as a board member. If you are applying for multiple positions, be specific about how your strengths support each position you are applying for.

Being on the fundraising committee for two semesters has allowed me to gain a true understanding of what it takes to successfully raise funds. I am knowledgeable about how the committee works and aware of ways that the committee grow. That being said, I believe that I would be a great fundraising chairman.

On a more personal level, I can confidently say that my sense of assertiveness, leadership, and persistence will contribute to making both the fundraising committee and AMSA, overall, a great organization. In the past, when I have been confronted with certain situations that call for good leadership, I have been able to successfully take charge in making quick decisions and executing appropriate actions.

3. Describe your experience in previous leadership roles.

During my third and fourth years in high school, I was mentor leader for my school's biggest campus-mentorship group – Link Cru. I was responsible for helping incoming freshman students make a smooth transition to high school by providing a guiding hand to them whenever they may need. Both inside and outside of school, I have been not only as a source of help and advice, but also a friend. That is a key lesson that I have learned by being a part of Link Cru – a great leader is one who does not only set good examples for those below him or her, but an individual who can successfully bring themselves into a more personal level with their peers and be a good friend. My gained experience as a mentor through Link Cru has allowed me to better myself as an individual, and prepare me for circumstances that may call for leadership.

4. Describe the goals you have for this position, and how you plan to achieve them. If applying for multiple positions, go into detail about your goals for each position.

In my experience, the fundraising committee tends to be more efficient and successful when all members of the committee play a role in contributing. By being the committee chairman, I plan on working to encourage more involvement and dedicating throughout the committee, which would allow it to reach its full potential. I would also plan on changing the layout of the committee meetings to make them more engaging. One way, for example, can involve changing the location of meetings every now and then – one week a meeting can be held on memorial glade, while in another week can be held over dinner or coffee.

My goal is to also encourage committee members to challenge themselves, and play a valuable role in AMSA, instead of pushing most of the responsibility towards the chair. This would not only make the committee more efficient, but also benefit the individuals making up the committee by providing a good

learning experience to them.

I believe the fundraising committee should also be innovative – always looking for new ways to raise funds and improve the committee. Although I plan on encouraging contributions and ideas from the committee members, I also have some of my own personal ambitions. For example, I believe the fundraising committee can better successfully serve its purpose if it can collaborate with big organizations, such as other campus clubs, fraternities/sororities, and local businesses. Establishing a more long---term sponsorship for AMSA would not only benefit us greater in the present, but allow AMSA to grow greatly in the future.

Finally, my goal is to make AMSA enjoyable. I want to help AMSA continue to be an enjoyable organization for all the members a part of it by making sure that it is properly funded. Also, I want to make sure that the members of the fundraising committee itself are enjoying themselves too, by promoting a fun and friendly atmosphere overall.

