

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

I have notice that unless you are truly making an effort in being a part in AMSA you have to take the opportunities that AMSA has to offer. Being in the community service committee this year, I was able to become more involved with AMSA, so now I am applying for the position of secretary because I want to have a bigger responsibility in the club. In high school, I was recording secretary for Interact Club, so I have experience in that area. Secretary may seem like a secondary job compared to the other positions, but I chose this because it gives me a lot of flexibility, so that I offer my hand to help the other board members. This position will give me a chance to fully be a part of AMSA at another level.

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.

I think two of my biggest strengths are my helpfulness and my organization. I have a strong tendency to help others no matter what. I do not like to see when others are struggling, so I always offer a hand just so they do not have to take on all the stress themselves. As secretary, I would not just be attending to my position, but I would be welcome to assist my fellow board members. Organization is key to a successful club. Running for secretary, I believe my organization will have an impact on the club. With an organized board, we would display a sense of professionalism to the members that we can be proud of. As secretary, I would be the one responsible in booking the rooms for our meetings. If the secretary forgets, then that would look bad on not only them, but also the club as well. I hope I can contribute to AMSA with my strengths that will help broaden AMSA to other students.

3. Describe your experience in previous leadership roles.

In high school, I was a board member in several clubs. I was president of two, recording secretary for one, and historian for another one. Being president, I was able to take in a role that really depicted my leadership. At times when there was tension amongst our board, I was able to get my members to work through them by helping them compromise through their issues. I think having been a leader I now know how I can improve myself in order to be a more successful leader.

Recently, I was co-site leader for Berkeley Project Month. This time around, I think I was a more effective leader. When we were taken to the wrong location, my partner and I were able to take control of the situation and made the best out of it. We were able to direct our group of 17 to the correct site without any more trouble. Being co-site leader, I was able to display my ability to lead as well as my ability to work well others.

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.

As secretary, I not only hope to excel on my position, but also hope to work with my fellow board members and try to improve AMSA in any ways possible. By working with the vice president of membership, I want to try and recruit more members. Before I joined AMSA, I had little to no knowledge of medical school or how to get there, so by broadcasting how much information I have received since joining AMSA, I hope to encourage and even inspire students to join. I saw a decline of attendance for the general meeting, and I want to try and retain the amount of members from the first meeting. One of the ways is to try and find more medical-related activities that our communities can teach to the club, so that we can keep the members every time they leave our meetings.

