

# Board Approval Request – Additional Staff Feb 07, 2025

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# **Request Additional Staff**

- Seeking Board approval to hire two additional staff members
- Executive Committee and Finance Committee have reviewed and approved
- Ensuring the 2025 approved budget bottom line remains unchanged

## **Staffing Needs Overview**

#### Marketing Support:



- The Asia event requires more marketing resources than initially anticipated.
- The Foundation's five-year strategy demands a significant increase in marketing efforts.
- Strategic membership growth goals will further strain an already overloaded team.
- PAC approval introduces yet another program requiring marketing support.
- A dedicated resource is needed to review and oversee all communications, ensuring consistency and effectiveness.

## **Staffing Needs Overview**

#### Sales Support:



- Sales Manager is overloaded with increased event and sponsorship demands
- Sales revenue target has increased 60% (\$3.7M in 2025 vs. \$2.3M in 2024)
- Sales support will handle support, administrative and some customer experience tasks thus freeing up the Sales Manager for tasks that are better aligned with short- and long-term revenue generation.
- The current one position is also a single point of failure for a very large percentage of AOC's annual revenue.



## **Financial Considerations**

- Finance Committee approved contingent on maintaining bottom-line neutrality
- Adjusted budget ensures the bottom line remains exactly as approved
- Increased revenue projections offset additional expenses

# 2025 Adjusted Budget

	2025 Approved Budget		Adjusted Budget		Difference	
Income						
4200 Membership	\$	575,000	\$	625,000	\$	50,000
4400 Convention Income	\$	1,960,000	\$	2,026,302	\$	66,302
4450 AOC Europe	\$	1,662,124	\$	1,682,124	\$	20,000
4500 Conference Income	\$	943,950	\$	943,950		
4600 Professional Development Income	\$	263,000	\$	263,000		
4650 Advocacy	\$	195,000	\$	195,000		
4750 Royalties	\$	268,190	\$	268,190		
4760 JED Subscription	\$	5,000	\$	5,000		
4850 Sales	\$	13,500	\$	13,500		
Services						
Total Income	\$	5,885,764	\$	6,022,066	\$	136,302
Gross Profit						
Expenses					Dif	ference
5000 Convention	\$	942,970	\$	942,970		
5099 AOC Europe	\$	750,520	\$	750,520		
5100 Conference	\$	593,418	\$	593,418		
5200 Membership services	\$	269,500	\$	269,500		
6100 Fringe Benefits	\$	452,695	\$	479,830	\$	27,135
6190 Labor	\$	1,979,975	\$	2,089,142	\$	109,167
6200 Facilities	\$	152,560	\$	152,560		
6300 Professional development	\$	72,500	\$	72,500		
6500 BoD Operations	\$	97,000	\$	97,000		
6695 Advocacy & Outreach	\$	181,250	\$	181,250		
6700 Administration	\$	509,593	\$	509,593		
6850 Depreciation/Amortization						
Total Expenses	\$	6,001,981	\$	6,138,283	\$	136,302
Net Operating Income	\$	(116,217)		(116,217)		



#### Next Steps



- Board approval needed today to move forward
- Will finalize job descriptions and metrics for success documentation
- Job postings will go live as soon as possible
- Hiring process to begin to support growth and operational needs
  - Marketing position hired in March
  - Sales position hired in March/April





#### **Motion:**

Approve the hiring of two additional staff members (one in marketing and one in sales) with the adjusted budget ensuring no change to the approved bottom line.

#### **Professional Staff – as of 4 Feb 2025**

