

## **REGION LEADERSHIP TEAM**

WASA Bylaws require that each region shall have a Leadership Team. Each Leadership Team is to include at least one representative from each component and the elected region officers as provided in the region's bylaws. It shall be the responsibility of the Leadership Team to:

- 1. Plan and coordinate the region's meetings and activities.
- 2. Develop and maintain a communications network throughout the region and the association.
- 3. Elect and/or appoint representatives to WASA's committees and taskforces. *Representatives must be active WASA members.*

In most cases, the members of the Leadership Team also serve as the chairs of their respective components in the region; however, this is not necessarily required. Most regions have representatives elected to the Leadership Team for a single year; however, some groups have chosen to have a "chair-elect" for each component that also serves as a member of the Leadership Team in order to provide continuity from year to year.

Although the primary functions of the Leadership Team are defined in the WASA Bylaws (see above), additional responsibilities can be included in the region bylaws and/or designated by the general membership.

Each region's Leadership Team will need to establish its own meeting schedule and format. Meetings should be scheduled, so they do not conflict with meetings of the WASA Board of Directors or with WASA professional development activities. It is important that the team meet early in the year (June—August) to establish a plan for major meetings and activities to be conducted and to make necessary appointments to WASA and regional committees.