

Lisa Storrie-Lombardi: Candidate for Nominating Committee

Affiliation: Las Cumbres Observatory

Position/Title: Observatory Director

PhD institution: University of Cambridge, 1995

Areas of scientific interest:

Time domain astronomy; high-redshift quasars

AAS and/or Division leadership positions and dates:

- Member, 2008 – 2011, Publications Committee, American Astronomical Society
- Member, 2004 – 2007, Committee on Employment, American Astronomical Society

Other relevant positions, experience, and dates:

- Assistant Director for Community Affairs, 2004 – 2016, Spitzer Science Center

Statement:

Managing the proposal process at the Spitzer Science Center for more than a decade provided me the opportunity to interact with astronomers at a broad range of US and international institutions. I now run a global robotic network of ground-based telescopes which further expands my astronomical connections. Over the last two decades I have served on User or Advisory committees for HST, Chandra, NRAO, SOFIA, JWST, LIGO, and NOIRLab. Each of these experiences taught me something new about scientific disciplines outside of my direct area of expertise. I appreciate the breadth of science, and people, which the AAS strives to represent.

Diversity, equity, and inclusion are the leadership issues of our time. We must be intentional in choosing our Society leadership to make these part of the fabric of our organization. As a member of the nominating committee, I will solicit input, listen, and work to nominate leaders that can help our Society continue to move forward and accomplish its mission.

