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Background:

I received a B.S. in Recreation from the University of Northern Colorado while concurrently completing an A.A.S. degree in Construction Management from a local community college. I currently work for a municipal parks department where my primary job roles include playground auditing and inspection, athletic field preparation and maintenance, and special event facilitation. While in this position, I have created programs that directly influence both employee and public safety. I have also served or am currently serving on committees to formalize safety policies, employee recognition, and seasonal employee training programs.

My vision for CSTMA:

In the upcoming year, provide events that offer diverse speakers on a variety of topics that face turf managers now and trends that may affect them in the future. Scheduling of meetings and professional seminars will be communicated more effectively through the use of a variety of media. CSTMA will follow proper procedures and protocols to comply with all STMA governing guidelines. Also, the organization will attempt to grow its membership through effective advertisement and sponsorships.

Why I want to be a board member:

I want to be a CSTMA board member to be part of an organization that shares values similar to my own: professionalism, communication, integrity, and service. As a CSTMA board member, I would like to help to facilitate other turf industry professionals' growth. By sharing knowledge we, as turf professionals, are better equipped to make decisions that will be directly reflected in the turf and facilities we maintain.