

Board of Director Position and Responsibilities

Expectations of the Board as a Whole

The mission of The Seattle Southside RTA is to provide advocacy and innovative services to competitively market the destination. This function helps create jobs, grow tax revenues and improve quality of life for our businesses and residents.

As the highest leadership body of the organization and to satisfy its fiduciary duties, the board is responsible for:

1. Determining the mission and purpose of the organization
2. Selecting and evaluating the performance of the president and chief executive officer
3. Strategic and organizational planning
4. Ensuring fiduciary oversight and financial management
5. Cooperative resource development
6. Approving and monitoring the organization's programs and services
7. Enhancing the organization's public image
8. Assessing its own performance as the governing body of the organization

Expectations of Individual Board Members

Each individual board member is expected to:

1. Know the organization's mission, policies, programs, and needs
2. Faithfully read and understand the organization's financial statements
3. Serve as active advocates and ambassadors for the organization and fully engage in identifying and securing the financial resources and partnerships necessary for the organization to advance its mission
4. Leverage connections, networks, and resources to develop collective action to fully achieve the organization's mission
5. Help identify personal connections that can benefit the organization's reputational standing, and can influence public policy
6. Prepare for, attend, and conscientiously participate in board meetings
7. If appointed, participate fully in committee work

Further, board members are expected to:

1. Follow the organization's bylaws, policies, and board resolutions
2. Sign a code of ethics and public meetings act statement and update it during the year if necessary, as well as disclose potential conflicts before meetings and actual conflicts of interest during meetings
3. Maintain confidentiality about all internal matters of the organization