

Mt. Vernon Area Chamber of Commerce

Board of Directors Role and Commitment

If I am elected to the Board, I recognize that with this position comes a commitment. I will support the organization, its programs and policies and assist in meeting the mission and vision of the Chamber.

The Board provides governance and financial oversight, while the staff manages daily operations.

I also recognize that with this commitment come certain responsibilities and duties, I will do my best to:

- Adopt a duty of care to pursue the Chamber's financial decisions with a focus on diligence and prudence.
- Adopt a duty of loyalty to act in the Chamber's best interest and not allow personal interests to supersede.
- Adopt a duty of obedience to ensure the organization complies with all state and federal laws.
- Become familiar with Chamber programs and benefits and offer suggestions for their improvement.
- Ensure the organization is well-managed by empowering staff to manage the daily operations.
- Become familiar with Chamber bylaws, policies, and procedures so that I am an informed representative.
- Attend Board meetings and as many other Chamber meetings and functions as reasonably possible.
- Participate in the development, adoption, and implementation of the Chamber's goals and objectives.
- Review Board materials in advance of meetings so I can help make effective and timely decisions.
- Maintain the confidentiality of privileged information which may be conveyed at Board meetings.
- Choose to serve on at least one committee or task force, or as requested by the President or Director.
- Act as a resource in defining opportunities and/or problems with the tourism and business community.
- Provide oversight of the Executive Director, but not other Chamber staff.
- Assist in the development of financial resources to possibly include fundraising and campaigning.
- Confirm that all programs and actions are compliant with and in support of the organization's mission.
- Work to enhance the organization's public image and its link to the community.
- Respect the opinions of individual board members and all decisions of the Board as a whole.
- Participate in board meetings and ensure critical conversations happen in the meeting not outside of it.
- Perform other such duties as may be requested by the President, Board or its Executive Director.

Board Nominee's Signature

Date

Executive Director's Signature

Date