Board Member Agreement

Introduction
A board member agreement is the promise a board member makes when accepting a position for nonprofit board service. It is not a legal document but an internal agreement, asserting the board member’s commitment to the organization in addition to an understanding of the general board responsibilities.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF A BOARD MEMBER

- Know and effectively articulate the mission, purpose, goals, policies and programs.
- Attend board meetings 5-6 times per year.
- Chair and/or participate in at least one board committee.
- Commit time, thought, and effort to WRP.
- Participate in establishing and enforcing organizational policies.
- Participate in WRP fundraising and outreach activities in a variety of ways.
- Identify friends and associates who might be prospective donors or board members.
- Participate in hiring and annual evaluations of WRP’s employees.
- Support and advise the chief executives as appropriate.
- Represent WRP to the community.
- Avoid conflicts of interest.
- Maintain confidentiality of all WRP board meeting proceedings.

BOARD AGREEMENT

WRP agrees to provide each member of the board with the following:
1. Access to management details, as needed for proper operation of the board.
2. Ample notice of all meetings
3. Minutes of all board meetings
4. Relevant information to conduct his or her job as a board member
5. Respect for his or her time
6. The use of his or her talent effectively

The board member agrees to do the following as a WRP volunteer:
1. Learn about WRP, read financial reports and other WRP documents, and keep up-to-date on WRP programs, finances, and management.
2. Attend as many board and committee meetings as practicable, and participate in all such meetings, using fair, independent judgment.
3. Avoid all conflicts of interest
4. Always exercise board powers in the interest of WRP, and not for the interest of yourself or others.
5. Keep all WRP matters confidential.

Signed: __________________________ Date: __________________________

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