

CPL Board Responsibilities (12.14.2024)

Duty of Care: Take care of the nonprofit by ensuring prudent use of all assets, including facility, people, and good will.

Duty of Loyalty: Ensure CPL activities and transactions advance its mission; Recognize and disclose conflicts of interest annually, sooner if necessary; Make decisions in CPL's best interest; not in the best individual board member's interest (or any other individual or for-profit entity).

Duty of Obedience: Ensure CPL obeys applicable laws and regulations; follows its own bylaws; and adheres to stated purposes/mission.

Responsibilities of Individual Board Members

Each individual board member is expected to

- Attend at least 80% of the board meetings. Serve on at least one committee.
- Know CPL's mission, policies, programs, and needs.
- Faithfully read/understand the organization's financial statements.
- Serve as active advocate and ambassador for CPL and help identify and secure the financial resources and partnerships necessary for CPL to advance its mission.
- Leverage connections, networks, and resources to develop collective action to fully achieve the CPL's mission.
- Give a meaningful personal financial donation. \$100 to \$200 a month, or securing contributions at that level.
- Help identify personal connections to benefit the organization's fundraising, reputational standing & to influence public policy.
- Prepare for, attend & conscientiously participate in board meetings.
- Participate fully in one or more committees.

- Produce at least three blog posts a year.

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