



Rights & Responsibilities of AIMS Society Board Members

"All Directors have the duty to care - to attend, participate in decisions, and be reasonably informed on matters that relate to the decision; and the duty of loyalty - to exercise their powers in the interest of the organization, rather than in their own or anyone else's interest".

Rights

- (1) Board members can count on fellow board members and the executive director to act as partners, working together to carry out the organization's mission.
- (2) Board members should be able to rely on the willingness of board colleagues to fulfill the responsibilities and work expectations of their directorship.
- (3) Board members are entitled to expect strong leadership - a president with a vision and understanding of what the organization can be and the capacity to motivate people toward the fulfillment of that vision.
- (4) Board members are entitled to expect their board directorship experience to be productive, interesting, rewarding and fun!

Responsibilities

- (1) To attend board of directors meetings and participate in conference calls.
- (2) Actively participate in committee work and possibly serve as Chair.
- (3) To assure financial stability by approving the annual budget and overseeing adherence to it.
- (4) To oversee and evaluate all programs and services, support the staff, and be an advocate in the insurance community for the AIMS Society.
- (5) To personally contribute annually, and assist in identification, cultivation, and solicitation of prospective members and other supporters of CPIA Society programs.
- (6) To assure the AIMS Society board of directors fulfills the foregoing governance responsibilities and maintains effective organization and recruitment.

"In addition to attending board meetings, you should expect to spend time preparing for those meetings, serving on committees, appearing at events, and contacting potential partners....Evaluate your other commitments and figure out how you will find time for serving on the board...It is not fair to the organization for you to agree to serve when you know you do not have enough time to do a good job." - Council of Better Business Bureaus