



Board Responsibilities and Expectations

1. Determine the association's mission and purpose. It is the board's responsibility to create and review a statement of mission and purpose that articulates the organization's goals, means, and primary constituents served.
2. Provide proper financial oversight and ensure that proper financial controls are in place.
3. Ensure adequate resources. One of the board's foremost responsibilities is to provide adequate resources for the association to fulfill its mission.
4. Ensure legal and ethical integrity and maintain accountability. The board is ultimately responsible for ensuring adherence to legal standards and ethical norms.
5. Enhance the association's public standing. The board should clearly articulate the organization's mission, accomplishments, and goals to the public and garner support from the community.
6. Monitor, support and strengthen the association's programs and services. The board's responsibility is to monitor program performance and ensure programs support the association's mission.
7. Support the chief executive. The board should ensure that the chief executive has the moral and professional support he or she needs to further the goals of the association.
8. The CEO manages the AANA staff and pursues goals that are meant to drive the association forward, while the board's role is to set the strategic direction for the association. Management of the AANA staff is the sole responsibility of the CEO. In the event a volunteer has an issue or challenge with a staff person, it should be brought to the attention of the CEO. Volunteers should refrain from involvement in human resources issues.