

BOARD PLEDGE FORM

I, _____, recognizing the important responsibility I am undertaking in serving as a member of the Board of Directors of this organization, hereby pledge to carry out in a trustworthy, ethical, and diligent manner the duties and obligations of my role as board member.

MY ROLE:

I acknowledge that my primary role as a board member is (1) to contribute to the defining of the organization mission and working towards the fulfillment of that mission, and (2) to carry out the functions of the office of Board Member and / or Officer as stated by the bylaws.

My role as a board member will focus on the development of and contribution to board policies and strategic planning of our chapter.

MY COMMITMENT:

I will exercise the duties and responsibilities of this office with integrity, sincerity and care to the best of my ability.

I PLEDGE:

1. To establish as a high priority my attendance at all meetings of the board, committees and task forces on which I serve.
2. To come prepared to discuss the issues and business to be addressed at scheduled meetings, having read the agenda and all background material relevant to the topics at hand.
3. To work with and respect the opinions of my peers who serve this board, and to leave my personal prejudices out of all board of discussions.
4. To always act for the good of the organization.
5. To represent this organization in a positive and supportive manner at all times and in all places.
6. To observe the parliamentary procedures and display courteous conduct at all board, committee and task force meetings.
7. To be present at as many events and monthly Membership meetings.
8. To avoid conflicts of interest between my position as a board member and my personal life. If such a conflict does arise, I will declare that conflict before the board and refrain from voting on matters in which I have conflict.
9. To support in a positive manner all actions taken by the Board of Directors even when I am in a minority position on such actions.
10. To agree to serve on at least one committee or task force, maintain attendance at most board meetings, and participate in the accomplishment of its objectives. If I chair the board, a committee, or task force I will:
 - a. Call meetings as necessary until objectives are met.
 - b. Conduct the meetings in an orderly, fair open and efficient manner.
 - c. Make committee progress reports/minutes to the board at its scheduled meetings.
11. To use best efforts in participating in both annual strategic planning meetings of the association and the process of integration International and any other strategic alliances that are beneficial to the local, state, or international affiliations.

If, for any reason, I find myself unable to carry out the above duties as best I can, I agree to resign my position as a board member/officer.

Board Member Signature

Date