

BP 110-Role of Chair ~ Board Policies Manual

ROLE OF CHAIR

The Chair shall assure the integrity of the board's process, represent the board to outside parties, and speak for the board.

Accordingly, the chair shall:

- Monitor to assure board behaviour is consistent with board policies and obligations imposed upon the board from outside the organization.
- Assure that the board discusses only those issues that clearly belong to the board to decide, not the director.
- Ensure board meeting deliberation is fair, open, thorough, efficient, limited to time, and to the point.
- Make all interpretive decisions that fall within topics covered by board procedures.
- Chair board meetings with all commonly accepted powers.
- Conduct board meeting debriefings and annual self-assessments to ensure processes improve.
- Represent the board to outside parties by stating positions consistent with its policies, resolutions and bylaws.

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