

Characteristics of an effective Board Member

- Stands by the board decisions even when s/he disagrees with the majority.
- Understands the mission of Main Street and serves as a strong ambassador for it.
- Prioritizes the monthly Board Meeting.
- Becomes active in one of the four committees.
- Educates oneself on the Main Street Approach; and works to educate others.
- Contributes Knowledge, Labor and Financial Resources to the program.
- Respects and understands the role of the Program Director.
- Offers honest opinion and constructive criticism.
- Promotes unity within the organization and where there is conflict, works within the program to resolve it.
- Encourages orderly, systematic, and incremental implementation of the Main Street work plans; and discourages distractions that are not part of the mission.
- Is loyal to the program and respectful to its fellow board members even when there is disagreement.