

Tasks and responsibilities of GNP+ Board members

Building a strong board requires that prospective board members know from the outset what is expected from them. This document provides a concise summary of what each board member does.

Purpose of this form	This form provides you with basic information about what GNP+ requires from its Board members. If you have doubts about your ability to commit the required time, attend scheduled meetings, or comply with these requirements, please advise the recruitment committee before they submit your name for consideration.
Term of office	The term of office is 2 years. All board members can serve up to a maximum of 2 terms.
Fund Raising	All board members are expected to participate in helping to keep the organization healthy by mobilizing resources.
Time Requirements	Board members are legally required to fulfil their fiduciary duties, which will require you to devote a minimum of 35 hours per year to the organization. The amount of time will vary, from attending board meetings to regularly reviewing financial statements and meeting materials, committee meetings, orientation sessions, and special events.
Board Meetings	The full board convenes on a quarterly basis by conference call and 1 face to face meeting during the summer (Q2).
Committee Meetings	There are ad hoc committees and standing committees. Ad hoc committees are formed to define positions or lead specific processes. The Executive Committee, consisting of the Treasurer and co-Chairs is the standing committee.
Orientation Sessions	There is a half-day orientation session held for new board members in the month after election. Additional orientation sessions can be organised as needed.
Approach to Governance	It is the Board's role to ensure that GNP+ establishes and holds the trust of the community by being clear in its mission, prudent and ethical in its activities, and accountable for its actions. Our meetings focus on planning, policy-making, and assessing our progress.
Directors' Code of behaviour	All board members sign a code of behaviour by which they: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commit to the mission of GNP+ and act in the full interest of GNP+ and its missions and values;• Accept responsibility and share power in order to work as a productive, cooperating member of the Board;• Avoid and declare any conflicts of interest between positions as a board member and with personal and professional responsibilities;



- Avoid exercising authority as a board member except when acting in a meeting with the full board or as delegated by the Board;
- Keep matters confidential;
- Are accountable to the membership and the Community, for competent, conscientious and effective accomplishment of the obligations of the Board;
- Ensure that discrimination is never practiced at GNP+;
- Act in a manner consistent with this Code of Ethics despite personal opinions, values or differences;
- Attend meetings consistently, prepare for meetings, participate fully, and otherwise fulfil fiduciary obligations to GNP+.