The Board provides mission-based leadership, is **supportive** and **strategic**, supports the culture and upholds the core values of the Children’s Museum of Fond du Lac (CMFDL).

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**Overall Duties and Responsibilities**

- Serve as a trusted advisor to the Executive Director/CEO in developing and achieving strategic goals and objectives.
- Act as an ambassador and advocate for CMFDL.
- Attend exhibit openings and special events for board / donor relationships.
- Make decisions that are in the best interest of the nonprofit corporation; not in the best interest of the individual board member (or any other individual or for-profit entity).
- Identify and leverage resources to assist in CMFDL’s growth in serving the community.
- Commit to a diverse board and staff that reflects the community.
- Assist the nominations committee in identifying and recruiting other board members.
- Advance development efforts by cultivating new donor relationships and supporting existing ones.
- Stay current on CMFDL and industry offerings by reviewing news and/or social media.
- Review, approve and monitor progress of annual and capital budgets.
- Support CMFDL’s major fundraising initiatives.
  - Make a meaningful gift to annual and capital appeals.
  - Attend and financially contribute to the success of the Young At Heart event.

**Meetings**

- Review agenda and supporting materials prior to meetings.
- Attend meetings (virtually or in person when opportunities are available).
  - Board meetings generally held every other month, as outlined in January
  - Committee meetings are scheduled as needed

**Board Terms and Other Participation**

Board members serve a two-year term and are eligible for re-appointment for two additional terms (for a total of six years). In addition, they are asked to serve on a committee, task forces or otherwise contribute in an advisory role, based on professional experiences.

**Ideal candidates will have the following qualifications:**

- A commitment to leadership and organizational development.
- A commitment to and understanding of CMFDL’s visitors, members and users.
- Savvy diplomatic skills and a natural affinity for cultivating relationships and persuading, convening, facilitating, and building consensus among diverse individuals.
- Personal qualities of integrity, credibility, and a passion for improving the lives of children, their families and community.

Service on CMFDL’s Board of Directors is without remuneration, except for administrative support, travel, and accommodation costs in relation to board members’ duties.

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