



Terre Foods Cooperative Market Board of Directors

Board Member Responsibilities

As a cooperative business, Terre Foods Cooperative Market is overseen by a Board of Directors elected directly by its Owners. The Board represents the Owners. It provides the co-op with strategic leadership and ensures sound management of the co-op's resources and safeguards the interests of our Owners. The Board sets policy and oversees the work of the Steering Committee.

The Board:

Sets acceptable guidelines for store opening and monitors the results through a policy governance process.

Sets long-range goals and makes strategic decisions about the co-op's future.

Approves capital and operating budgets.

Recruits new directors to ensure a well-qualified Board of Directors.

Duties as a Board Member

Exercise Care – Use the same good judgment that an ordinarily prudent person in a similar position would use in similar circumstances.

Demonstrate Loyalty – Put the cooperative before your own personal interests and act in good faith in your dealings with the Co-op.

Demonstrate Obedience – Strive to follow the co-op's articles of incorporation, Bylaws and all laws and regulations that apply to the business.

Attend monthly Board meetings and executive committee meetings, as needed, and the annual full-day retreat.

Prepare for each Board meeting by reading the agenda and fulfilling responsibilities of subcommittee assignments as directed.

Serve on committees and Board projects as needed.

Attend Board orientation and training.

Required Qualifications

Active Terre Foods Cooperative Market Member Owner.

Dedicated to the Mission of Terre Foods Cooperative Market.

Commitment of a minimum of 7-10 hours of volunteer service per month for a three-year term.

Strong communication skills.

Demonstrated teamwork and enthusiasm for learning.

Additional Skills

Volunteer experience.

Business management experience.

Financial experience.

Collaborative decision making skills.

Long-term planning experience.

Leadership and facilitation skills.

Cooperative experience.

Seeks out and shares professional development/training opportunities with other Board Members.