



Southwest Harbour **Community** Centre

Agreement to Serve as a Member of the Board of Directors¹

Having been selected to serve as a director of the Association, I voluntarily agree, as a member of the Board, to:

1. Ensure that our vision, mission, and goals are relevant and continue to inspire the work we do
2. Regularly abide by our incorporating bylaws and review and amend them as needed
3. Establish and utilize policies that ensure that we and our staff are following good governance, financial, human resource, and other practices
4. Declare any personal or professional interest that may conflict, or be seen by others to conflict, with my ability to act in the best interests of the Association
5. Actively participate as a board member by regularly attending meetings, preparing for meetings, contributing to board discussions, and showing up for special events
6. Refrain from counselling, advising, or giving direction, as an individual board member, to staff members or volunteers
7. Support decisions of the board even if I do not always agree
8. Wherever and whenever possible be a champion for Association and its work in the community

Date: _____

Name: _____

Signature _____

Note: This sample policy may be freely adapted and used by a non-profit organization without acknowledgement.

¹ This version of a board member's agreement is of symbolic value; it is not a contract. This example could be used as the basis of an agenda for a board orientation session, concluding the session with a ceremonial signing of the agreement by both new and continuing board members. Once signed it should be given to the Board Secretary for filing.