



To inspire a passion for reading and learning among children living on Maine's coastal islands and in rural communities in Washington County, "inland islands."

IRW Board Member Job Description

The Board of Directors supports the work of IRW and provides mission-based leadership to ensure the organization's health and welfare both now and in the future. Service on the board is for a three-year term that is renewable. Responsibilities of individual Board members include the following:

- Commit time to IRW, including attending all board and committee meetings as required and reading all materials prior to board meetings
- Understand the roles and responsibilities of nonprofit governance, including respecting appropriate governance boundaries
- Participate fully in board meetings and serving on at least one committee
- Volunteer for board assignments
- Be knowledgeable about the mission, vision, and strategic priorities of IRW and making decisions that support the organization; staying informed on trends, challenges, and opportunities that could affect the organization
- Participate fully in board self-assessments and professional development
- Ensure the ongoing financial health of IRW by reviewing and approving the organization's annual budget and quarterly financial reports
- Contribute to the evaluation of the Executive Director, as requested
- Identify and recruit board members; making a commitment to building a diverse board
- Give to IRW financially to the best of the board members ability and make IRW a priority of time and talent during board service
- Serve as an ambassador for IRW with all stakeholder groups and with the larger external community
- Keep all board deliberations and actions confidential
- Participate in major organization activities (i.e. Summer Morning in Maine)
- Get to know other board members and IRW personnel and building strong, respectful relationships within the organization and the greater community that IRW support