

Title: **Member, Board of Directors**
Term: 3 years
Bylaw references: Article III
Responsible to: Members

Summary: Elected by the Members of GEDA to exercise fiduciary responsibility for the affairs of the corporation; to establish policy and to provide strategic direction and general oversight for GEDA committees and programs, and for the administrative and financial management of the corporation; the Board of Directors acts primarily through its Officers, particularly the Chair as its chief executive officer.

Examples of Major Responsibilities:

- Prepare for, attend, and participate in all regular and special meetings, and in the annual (October) planning retreat, of the Board of Directors
- Consider and vote on the adoption of an annual business plan and budget, consistent with the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and mission statement of the corporation
- Receive, consider, and act upon policy, program and other recommendations from the Officers, Committees, and the President, and from members of GEDA
- Assist with the conduct of membership meetings, with the solicitation of memberships and member input, and with membership communications
- Assist the Chair with the support, encouragement, and oversight of Committee activities; for each program year, each Director may be assigned to assist the Chair in providing Board support of a specific Committee.
- Provide resources for the operations of GEDA consistent with its mission and with the duly approved decisions, commitments, and obligations of the corporation
- Provide exemplary leadership in support of the GEDA Mission Statement and Code of Ethics