Board member Responsibilities

BGCM has two ways for members of the Memphis community to take an active role in the organization as a board member by either the Central Board of Directors or Club Boards. The Central Board acts as the governing board and the Club Boards focus on assisting the staff at their designated Club location with pertinent items as it relates to the Clubs success and fundraising events.

All Board members on both the Central Board & Club Boards are asked to:

1. Attend at least 80% of Board meetings throughout calendar year.
2. Actively participate on at least one Board Committee.
3. Support all major fundraising events by obtaining sponsorships, purchasing tickets, providing auction items, and all other items possible to assure the financial success of all of BGCM events.
4. Participate in at least one interactive opportunity per year with members served by BGCM.

How does the process work?

First a nominee is identified by current board members or BGCM staff. Second, the nominee meets with a member of the Development team to learn more about BGCM & board members responsibilities, and to identify a prospective Club. Third, a nominee goes on a Club tour to learn about operations (they can even attend an upcoming board meeting). Fourth, they complete the Board Member Application packet and the Board approves. Nominees may attend board meetings, events, and volunteer in between those times, but do not assume official board responsibilities until the voting approval process.

Central Board of Directors

In addition to the roles outlined above, Central Board members act as the governing board for the organization and annually commit to raising and/or contributing at least $10,000 per year (referred to as the Give or Get requirement).

Club Board Members

In addition to the roles outlined above, Club Board members for their first two years serving on the Board commit to raising and/or contributing at least $1,000 per year (referred to as the Give or Get requirement). After two years, the Club Board Members Give or Get becomes $2,000.

Board Roles

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Memphis rely on our Club Board members to help with the continued success of the organization, Clubs, and youth served. A great Board member for BGCM has:

Resources to help BGCM reach their annual goals & provide the much needed programs and services.

Time to attend board meetings, volunteer in the Club, and participate in BGCM events.

Passion to advocate in the community on behalf of BGCM.

Initiative to review board materials, prepare for meetings, and ask the “tough questions”.

Energy to motivate fellow board members.

Interested in learning more?

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