

Profile of a member of the Board of Directors of OSBIE

The Board of Director's role is to ensure that OSBIE provides value added insurance at stable cost.

The Board governs OSBIE through strategic leadership, by applying a framework of governance principles and by holding itself accountable for governance performance with an emphasis on the intended long-term value for Subscribers. The Board shall direct, control, and inspire the organization through the careful establishment of broad written policies reflecting the board's values and perspectives.

Criteria

- Regional Directors or Board members must be either an employee or a trustee of a member school board
- Regional Directors are elected by the subscriber boards by defined region for a two year term.

Skillset and knowledge required

- Strong leadership skills
- Sound understanding in corporate governance and policy development
- Ability to assimilate large amounts of information (financial, legal, investment and insurance)
- Proficiency in risk management and loss control
- Understanding of actuarial reports
- Competencies with regards to the monitoring and the evaluation of the effectiveness of the Board
- Excellent communication skills
- Integrity
- Ability to think strategically
- Understanding of school board and public sector environments
- Demonstrate ability to operate effectively as part of a team of elected directors to help achieve expected Board performance

Responsibilities of board members

- Participate in board orientation and training sessions
- Acquire an understanding of the organization's activities
- Understand legal and fiduciary responsibilities
- Attend and participate actively in board and committee meetings
- Keep informed about the issues affecting the organization
- Provide leadership to the Board or committee
- Represent and be accountable to member boards (subscribers)
- Support board decisions and act as an advocate for the organization