

### **Board of Trustees**

# **Board Member Job Description and Expectations**

#### **Board Purpose**

To advise, govern, oversee policy and direction, and assist with the leadership and general promotion of PATH Intl so as to support the organization's mission and needs.

## **Basic Board Responsibilities**

- Determine PATH Intl's mission and purposes
- Select the CEO through appropriate processes
- Provide ongoing support and guidance for the CEO; review their performance
- Ensure effective organizational planning
- Ensure adequate resources
- Ensure effective use of resources
- Determine and monitor PATH Intl's programs and services
- Serve as a court of appeal
- Assess Board performance
- Designate PATH Intl as one of the top three organizations to which annual, personal donations are made
- Publically advocate for PATH Intl.
- Participate in PATH Intl. development goals and projects

#### Qualifications

- A college degree or equivalent certification, licensure or lifetime experience
- Previous board experience or experience serving a national, membership nonprofit organization
- Possess skills and expertise to complete or compliment the current board skill set

## **Requirements for Board Service**

- 1. Commit to a term of 3 years with a maximum of two terms in accordance with the PATH Intl bylaws
- 2. Participate in fundraising activities and contribute an annual gift according to means
- 3. Attend monthly board conference calls and two in-person meetings (one in late spring and the other at the national conference in November)
- 4. Demonstrate and promote PATH Intl's mission, goals, and long-term success
- 5. Represent PATH Intl to the community
- 6. Dedicate the time necessary to faithfully support board meetings, committee meetings, and special requests.
- 7. Actively participate on at least one committee



### **Board Members Share Responsibilities in These Key Areas**

## **Planning**

- 1. Approve PATH Intl's mission, vision, values and goals and review staff's performance in achieving it
- 2. Annually assess the environment and approve PATH Intl's strategy in relation to it
- 3. Annually review and approve PATH Intl's plans for funding its strategy
- 4. Annually review and approve PATH Intl's budget
- 5. Approve major policies and priorities

#### Organization

- 1. Hire, monitor, appraise, support, reward, and when necessary change executive leadership
- 2. Assure appropriate succession planning
- 3. Assure that PATH Intl's resources are equal to the requirements of the long-range goals
- 4. Annually approve the Performance Review of the CEO and establish their compensation
- 5. Determine eligibility for and appoint Board Committees
- 6. Annually review the performance of the Board and take steps to improve its performance

### **Operations**

- 1. Review the results achieved by PATH Intl staff as compared with PATH Intl's Strategic Plan, short- and long-term goals, and the performance of similar institutions.
- 2. Be certain that PATH Intl's financial structure is adequate for its current needs and its long-term strategy.
- 3. Provide candid and constructive criticism, advice, and comment.
- 4. Approve major actions of PATH Intl, such as capital expenditures and major

## <u>Audit</u>

- 1. Assure that the Board and its committees are adequately and currently informed of the condition of PATH Intl and its operations.
- 2. Assure that published reports accurately reflect PATH Intl's operating results and financial condition.
- 3. Ascertain that PATH Intl Staff has established appropriate policies to define and identify conflicts of interest, and is diligently administering and enforcing those policies.
- 4. Appoint independent auditors.
- 5. Review compliance with material laws & regulations relevant to PATH Intl.