

POLICY TYPE: GOVERNANCE PROCESS

POLICY TITLE: G2 - BOARD JOB DESCRIPTION

ADOPTED: 4-08

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The job of the Board is to represent the member-owners in ensuring appropriate organizational performance.

Accordingly:

- G2.1 The Board will create and act as the link between the member-owners and the cooperative business they own. The Board will educate itself regarding the values held by the members and report periodically to the members on the Board's activities, decision, and compliance with Board policies on Governance Process and Board-General Manager Delegation.
- G2.2 The Board will enact written policies that address the broadest levels of all organizational decisions and situations.
 - A. Ends: Organizational products, effects, benefits, outcomes, recipients, and their relative worth (what good for which recipients at what cost).
 - B. Governance Process: Specification of how the Board conceives, carries out, and monitors its own tasks.
 - C. Board-General Manager Delegation: How power is delegated and its proper use monitored; the General Manager role, authority, and accountability.
 - D. Executive Limitations: Constraints on executive authority that establish the prudence and ethics boundaries within which all executive activity and decisions must take place.
- G2.3 The Board will assure General Manager performance through monitoring of Ends and Executive Limitations policies.
- G2.4 The Board will assure its own performance through monitoring of Governance Process and Board-General Manager Delegation policies.
- G2.5 The Board will perpetuate itself through recruitment, training, and ongoing professional development, including monitoring and self-evaluation.