



# Board of Directors Application

The Faribault Area Chamber of Commerce and Tourism is seeking nominations for the Board of Directors.

Name Business Position/Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Community Involvement

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## Chamber Involvement

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Attributes that would make the nominee a good Board member \_\_\_\_\_

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Nominated by self Other (Has this person agreed to be nominated?) \_\_\_\_\_



*The governance of the Chamber, the direction of its work, and the control of its property is the responsibility of the Board of Directors. The Board is elected to represent a broad cross section of business and professional leaders. The Board sets the over all policy of the Chamber and guides its direction through the adoption of the annual program of work. Each Director is essential to the success of the Chamber and should understand the responsibilities and commitment required of a Director.*

## **Qualifications for Board Membership**

**Member in good standing**

**Demonstrated leadership qualities**

**Community Involvement**

**Chief management or owners of member firms**

**Commitment to the Mission of the Faribault Area Chamber of Commerce Willingness to accept the responsibility and commitment of Board Membership**

## **Roles and Responsibilities of the Board**

### **Governance:**

The Governance of the Chamber is the responsibility of the Board. The Board is elected to represent a cross section of business and professional leaders. The Board sets policy and guides the direction of the chamber through the adoption of an annual business plan and long-range plan. The by-laws support the governing role of the board by establishing officers and putting the financial control and overall well being of the organization in the control of the board.

### **Advocacy:**

As advocates Board members interpret the mission of the chamber, defend it under pressure and represent it to the members and the community. The chamber board uses the mission statement and values of the organization to take positions on important community issues.

### **Consultation:**

The expertise that board members possess, making them a valuable asset to the organization, needs to be tapped for the good of the chamber. Board members providing "quick response" advice on the areas of interest or considered consultation in their areas of expertise are essential components to the success of the organization.

### **Support:**

Board members lead the organization in providing support in many ways including attendance at events, sponsorship of activities, purchase of publication ads etc. General members do notice whether board members are involved. The example of Board Members sets a standard for others to follow.