

SAMPLE UNIT BOARD MEMBER AGREEMENT

(This agreement is offered as an option for unit boards. The intent of the agreement is to strengthen and unify the board in coming together to work as a team in supporting the goals and mission of the unit. It is adapted from *Board Building Cycle*, a publication from BoardSource.)

As a board member of our unit I am fully committed and dedicated to our mission and have pledged to carry out this mission. I understand that my duties and responsibilities include the following:

1. I promise to be fiscally responsible, with other board members, for this organization. I will make myself aware and knowledgeable regarding our budget and finances and will take an active part in reviewing, approving, and monitoring the budget to meet the goals of our unit.
2. I understand my legal responsibilities for the unit and those of my fellow board members. I am responsible for knowing and overseeing the implementation of policies.
3. I accept the bylaws and operating principles and understand that I am morally responsible for the health and well-being of this unit.
4. I will actively promote the unit in a positive manner.
5. I will act in good faith and in a manner that I believe to be in the best interests of the unit.
6. I promise to treat my fellow board members and other unit members with respect. When conflict occurs, I promise to respectfully disagree and work for a resolution that is in the best interests of the unit.
7. To the best of my ability, I will attend board meetings, be available for phone or e-mail consultation, and serve on at least one board committee.
8. I will remember that the focus of all of my efforts, decisions and time is to make bridge a great experience for all involved.
9. In signing this document, I understand that no quotas are being set and that no rigid standards of measurement and achievement are formed. Every board member is making a statement of faith about every other board member. We trust each other to carry out the above agreements to the best of our ability.

Board Member _____ Date _____

Board President _____ Date _____