

Purpose of the Board

Policy

The purpose of the Haliburton County Library Board (the library board) is to govern the affairs of the public library in service to the community. This policy sets out the work of the library board and the ways in which the library board achieves its purpose.

Procedure

- 1) The library board oversees the development of a comprehensive and efficient public library service by:
 - a) Expressing the library's philosophy and values;
 - b) Articulating the library's vision, mission, and priorities;
 - c) Evaluating results of activities and services used to achieve goals;
 - d) Setting policies on governance and service;
 - e) Delegating authority to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and evaluating their performance;
 - f) Planning for further library development;
 - g) Securing the resources to achieve the intended results;
 - h) Advocating for library service.
- 2) The library board governs effectively by:
 - a) Representing the interests of the community;
 - b) Engaging the community in determining responsive and dynamic library service;
 - c) Acting as a bridge between the library and County Council;
 - d) Working collaboratively with the CEO and County Council;
 - e) Setting an annual library board agenda (the 'Annual Workplan') that reflects current goals and strategic issues;
 - f) Working proactively and making decisions that focus on the library's future and place in the community;
 - g) Evaluating the library board's performance on an annual basis.

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Related Documents

Haliburton County Public Library. BL-04 Powers and Duties of the Board Haliburton County Public Library. GOV-11 Library Board Self-Evaluation Policy

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