



ABOUT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Connex Foundation is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors who are career professionals, typically working in the industry, selling to and/or servicing multi-site facilities. Board members serve three-year rotating terms.

As the legal body of Connex Foundation and the philanthropic arm of ConnexFM, the Board of Directors establishes policy and guidelines and leads by setting the strategic direction of the Foundation. This requires knowledge and experience in business, mature judgment, vision, and the ability to influence and empower others. Members of the Board of Directors must be able to perform at this executive level as part of a collaborative team with other Board Members.

The primary responsibility of the Board Member is to provide leadership to the organization, enabling it to be a powerful influence in the multi-site facilities maintenance industry. In addition, the member has a fiduciary responsibility to ensure that Connex Foundation functions in an ethical and legal manner in all its business practices.

Underlying the success of Connex Foundation's Board has been the Directors' dedication to preparing for and participating in all meetings, as well as contributing their experience and critical thinking in setting the strategy of the organization.

Duties and Responsibilities

As the legally constituted governing body, the Board oversees the affairs of Connex Foundation; provides thought leadership in philanthropic efforts; and represents the Foundation and the facilities profession to other groups.

Major functions in carrying out these responsibilities include:

Envisioning the future of Connex Foundation and setting its strategic direction.

Establishing policy for Connex Foundation

Approving and monitoring the progress of the strategic plan.

Reviewing and approving the budget annually.

Representing Connex Foundation to ConnexFM and outside members and groups.

Term of Office

The Connex Foundation Nominating Committee is charged with selecting qualified members for the Board of Directors' appointments per the Foundation's Bylaws. The process for selecting these leaders is outlined below.

Applications are being accepted until November 27, 2024 (11:59 pm CST), for candidates to apply for the official seat(s). The Connex Foundation Nominating Committee will review each applicant's qualifications in depth. Newly elected Board Members will take office at ConnexFM National Conference during spring each year.

We look forward to receiving your application!

Minimum Required Qualifications

If a ConnexFM Association Member, must be with at least one-year membership preceding nomination, in good standing having no outstanding ethics violations.

Board members should have an understanding of the facilities maintenance, property management, retail, asset management profession, or other complimentary fields, as well as, philanthropic experiences and interests.

Ability, commitment and approval support by their company to participate in Board Duties as described in the Term of Office and Time Commitment (face-to-face Board meeting, conference calls, events, etc.).

Other Qualifications

Strong commitment to ConnexFM, Connex Foundation, and to the credibility of the facilities maintenance profession.

Demonstrated leadership as evidenced by professional accomplishments and other voluntary activities.

Familiarity with retail facilities maintenance, as evidenced by work performance.

Significant core competencies to further the Foundation's goals such as strategic thinking, strategy and organizational development, structure, and the relationship of strategy to trends in business and maintenance management.

Demonstrated leadership abilities within Connex Foundation in a voluntary role (committee service, sponsored or attended Foundation events, etc.).

Demonstrated leadership within their company employer.

Demonstrated leadership within other voluntary or charitable groups – industry, professional or community organizations.

Experience in strategy development, strategic planning, finance, thought leadership, marketing, education, public relations, volunteer governance, and business development are very desirable.

Ability to represent Connex Foundation with ConnexFM members and other outside groups at industry events and to speak effectively about the Foundation's mission, strategic initiatives, and programs.

Willingness to share expertise and ability to collaborate with Board colleagues, reach consensus, and support the consensus.

Willingness to share expertise and ability to collaborate and effectively work with other volunteers and staff team.

Personal Characteristics

Integrity, character; Positive professional reputation; Passion for the industry; Enthusiasm; Flexibility; Team player.

Time Commitment

Board service requires a commitment of three (3) hours a month on average. In addition, the Board of Directors holds and encourages 2 in person meetings each year held in conjunction with ConnexFM's major conferences (National & Mid-Year Conferences). Conference calls are held monthly and as needed.

Board Members also assist in leading and/or serving on the Foundation Board committees and are expected to participate in committee conference calls.

You will be using this form to provide your contact information and your required submission details for review. Click [Join Now](#) below to begin.

Note: All applications have the ability to be saved and worked on at a later date and time.