Board of Directors

Terms

FAM Board Member Terms are Three Years (3 consecutive, 3-year terms)

FAM Foundation Board Member Terms are Two Years (3 consecutive, 2-year terms)

Purpose:

- To represent museums/geographic area at the Board meetings.
- To serve on committees.
- To help make decisions for the organization relating to the educational mission.

Qualifications:

- Be elected by the directors at the board meeting.
- Be an institutional member of FAM in good standing.

Board of Directors Responsibilities and Expectations

FAM and FAM Foundation (FAMF) Board members who agree to serve on the Board will want to know what is expected of them. Service on the Board is like that of a board of directors for a museum or other nonprofit organization. We need people who are willing to be active and committed to the Association's mission. Board members’ responsibilities are:

1. Attend Board meetings, generally four per year. These are held at locations around the state and members are responsible for travel and other costs. Most meetings are from 2-4 hours long and are held during a time frame in which members can drive in and out in the same day. Some meetings may be held digitally. Typically, the Board holds a planning retreat annually with Board members paying their own expenses.

2. Board members should attend the Annual Fall Conference {September} and take part in activities such as the Board meeting, serving as session monitors (making sure speakers have what they need, distributing handout materials, etc.), helping with evening events, and other duties as needed.

3. Financial support for FAM/FAMF is important. Members of the Board may wish to donate to the endowment fund and/or secure corporate members. Board members may be asked to solicit new institutional memberships during membership campaigns. Board members should encourage involvement and giving by their institutions through sponsorships and participating in the annual conference and educational programs.

4. Active participation (including travel to meetings) on at least one of the following committees is expected: Executive (Officers and Past President), Finance, Governance, Strategic Plan, Awards, Membership, State/Federal Awareness and Funding Educational Program

5. Involve Others by introduction and cultivation, seeking opportunities to talk about FAM/F. Introduce new people to FAM/F and its programs. Identify prospective volunteers, board members, and FAM/F members and give leadership to their cultivation.

6. Advocate for the cause by using every opportunity to increase the visibility of FAM/F. Contact all levels of governmental representatives to inform them about the importance of museums and cultural organizations. Continue relationships with local legislators and make them aware of the integral grant programs administered by the Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs, Division of Historical Resources.

For additional information about FAM and FAM Foundation’s mission, vision & core values, please click here.

Click here for an application to serve on the FAM/F Board of Directors.