

THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR should have an interest and willingness to act as the organizer and contact person for the region and its membership.

Appropriate involvement for RD would include:

To help set up local and regional meetings.

To have a role in membership and fundraising ~~within the~~ ^{APPROPRIATE TO TH} region, for instance might co-author and co-sign fundraising letters to regional membership.

May be asked to attend meetings as a GLU representative and/or spokesperson in the absence of staff.

Help make introductions etc. when staff comes around.

Help with press contacts

Shall know the issues and concerns of the region relative to those of GLU.

keep alert and communitive regarding legislative changes and new state/provincial and federal programs and initiatives.

Should be given the opportunity to work with the office to help draft grants for projects within the region (ie. Ashtabulah, Reynolds/Massena). Should have an understanding of these proposals and projects through communication with the appropriate staff person.

The RD should not take on any independent initiative in GLU's behalf such as, fund-raising, press conferences, grant proposals etc. without first consulting with staff.

Should keep in touch and work with At-Large directors within the region as well as directors within the state and provincial jurisdiction.

The ED might assign a staff person to a region (is this workable vis a vis staff?)

Regional Directors might help determine if not organize or write articles relative to the region for the newsletter.

This definition which should not require a by-law change has been written to help direct new board members, staff and the nominating committee. Wye suggest including it as part of a packet to new board members.

This proposed packet might also include an up-to-date list of the region's individual and membership organizations. A general description of the board member's role vis a vis by law obligations and specific to GLU task forces and committees, the annual report, list of committees and task forces with names of committee members.



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The GLU TASK FORCES

As stated in the by-laws: "The role of the Task Force is to make recommendations for action on policies, positions and issues."

The Task Force acts on behalf of the board and membership. It represents the board on the particular issue. A Task Force may include non-board members and staff.

The task force should have a chairman or co-chairmen to take responsibility for setting up meetings, chairing meetings and making sure that the task force in turn

takes responsibility for resolutions and ^{TASK FORCE} presentation at the annual meeting.

Members of the task force should make every attempt to meet once a year and write and/or solicit resolutions prior to the annual meeting.

The Task Force should bring important legislative changes relative to the issue with recommendations for action to the board's attention or the attention of the ED.

The task forces might benefit by having a stated goal or mission to explain itself in the context of the organization and in the context of our membership organizations.

The task force should not act independently of the staff on behalf of GLU, that is take independent initiatives in the way of mailings, petitions, etc. without first consulting the GLU staff.

The task force should work with the staff person in charge of the newsletter in order to determine interesting timely articles on the issue.

Office to Board:

Communication from the office should encourage task force endeavours...newsclippings, reports, memos on the issue should go out periodically to all members of the task force and relative others.

The task force might be considered the "short list" for mailings on a particular issue. The long list would include all board members and membership organizations

Question: How can the task force manage to meet? Conference calls? Funding for travel?



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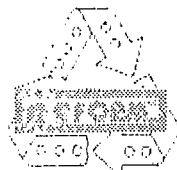
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The board of directors tries to act on behalf of the membership, particularly its membership organizations, representing their views while planning for the future and directing the organization. We try to see where we believe GLU should be headed and how to get there in the best way we can.

The board has legal responsibilities that are the same for all not-for-profits. These include keeping minutes of all meetings, making sure that proper accounting practices are used, and that the books are independently audited each year. The board elections must be carried out according to the by-laws. Records must be filed appropriately. The board is responsible for appointing the executive director, setting policy and adhering to the organization's mission. raising funds?

Decisions of the Board as a whole and of the various committees and task forces translate into the everyday work of the organization. The board meets six times a year including the annual meeting (traditionally the first week-end in May) and the board retreat. Committees and task forces meet as necessary. All committees and task forces may be made up of staff and board except the nominating and personnel committees. Task Forces strive to attract a mixture of enthusiastic people with interest and expertise on the issue.

At present our task forces and committees are :



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