

The Role of the Board Member

Functional Relationships

Board Chair, fellow Board Members, Principal/Tumuaki and Senior Leadership Team, Teachers, and Kindergarten whanau.

Primary Objective

To work collaboratively in a governance team to progress the development of Inspired Kindergartens (iK).

Key Task: Governance of iK including:

- iK Vision
- Understanding te tiriti o Waitangi
- Strategic thinking
- Goal setting
- Financial overview
- Policy development

Position requirements (Key knowledge, skills and attributes):

- passion for Early Childhood Education
- a philanthropic disposition
- honesty and respectfulness toward others
- an ability to generate enthusiasm in others
- ability to use initiative
- good humour
- an understanding and honouring of the dual heritage of Aotearoa
- highly developed communication skills
- ability to openly discuss and debate issues, with possible solutions forthcoming
- analytical skills
- high level skills in active listening
- proven time management skills
- collaborative decision making

- cultural competency
- planning skills
- knowledge of budgeting and financial management
- an understanding the relationship between governance and management
- experience in strategic planning
- team player

Expectations

Successful candidates will attend up to ten board meetings per year and may sit on other working parties/sub-committees for iK; will also liaise with and may collaborate with kindergartens' whanau groups, management and outside organisations.

This is a volunteer based position with a meeting honorarium to recognise the commitment to the organisation.

The focus of the organisation is directly linked to teaching and learning in early childhood education. The successful candidate will be expected to uphold this.

Eligibility

This position is open to any person who is a member of the Association. Candidates will need to consent to a satisfactory police check and to confirm that they are not nor have not been bankrupt.