



**Winnifred Stewart
Association**

Winnifred Stewart Association Board of Director – Volunteer Position Opportunity

Winnifred Stewart Association is dedicated to connecting individuals and their communities. We believe in empowering people and inspiring dreams. Through a variety of programs, individuals can focus on discovering their own desired adventures, and through stories, reflect on the milestones they achieve.

Customized support offered through Winnifred Stewart Association's various community and facility-based programs assist individuals with disabilities to lead fulfilling lives and become integral members of their communities. These programs include, Day Services (recreational and leisure options and enclaves-paid or volunteer), Residential Services (variety of residential options) and Community Pathways (individualized employment, volunteering, living arrangements and recreational options).

Vision

To support individuals with developmental disabilities to meet their potential and have full lives in an inclusive, supportive community.

Mission

WSA supports and responds to the goals of the individual, their families and friends by providing services that honour choice, community inclusiveness and quality of life for the individual.

Strategic Directions

1. Continue to build a culture of service excellence.
2. Strengthen the linkages and networks to the community that support the individual to achieve their personal goals.
3. Implement an individualized service delivery approach to respond to the needs of the individual with a focus on inclusive supportive communities.
4. Demonstrate stewardship through service delivery that is effective, efficient and accountable.
5. Develop and strengthen partnerships with others - service agencies, all levels of government, the business community and other community groups.
6. Implement program approaches and appropriate housing to provide quality care for individuals.
7. Assist the province to become leaders in the area of dementia care for persons with developmental disabilities.

Duties & Responsibilities

- Advocate and support the mission, purpose, core beliefs and vision of Winnifred Stewart Association.
- Attend and actively participate in all board meetings.
- Express one's opinion during discussion and debates, and speak with one voice regarding final decisions of the Board.



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- Review agendas, minutes, financial statements and any other supporting material in advance of the Board meeting.
- Understand and take into account the interests of the membership and relevant shareholders.
- Act as a positive ambassador and advocate for Winnifred Stewart.

Attributes and Qualifications

- Has a passion to work on behalf of individuals with disabilities to further their overall well-being and quality of life.
- Previous Board or other volunteer experience is highly desirable.
- A willingness to further your understanding of Alberta Human Services' policies surrounding Persons with Developmental Disabilities (PDD).
- Demonstrates a high level of engagement in board meetings, committee meetings, related community events, and special events of the Association.
- Professional expertise in one or more of the following areas: Government relations, legal, risk management, human resources, community engagement, fundraising, marketing, public relations, event planning, lobbying, and/or accounting.

Emphasis will be placed on applicants with legal and lobbying experience.

Board Member Term and Commitment

Board members shall serve for a term of two years. A Board member would typically be required to attend regularly scheduled Board meetings (six per year, usually lasting 1.5-2 hours), the Annual General Meeting, and any Special Meeting(s) each year. In addition, each Board Member is asked to serve on at least one committee and to support special events relating to the Association.

Timelines:

- Applications will be accepted until **March 9, 2018**.
- Initial interviews tentatively set for the evening of March 22, 2018 and March 28, 2018.

For more information, please visit our website: www.winnifredstewart.com
or call (780)453-6707 ext. 260

Please submit your applications to Emily Boomer at eboomer@wsaf.ca