



## POSITION DESCRIPTIONS

### ***OMS BOARD SECRETARY***

#### ***JOB DESCRIPTION***

**COMMITTEE:** Board of Directors

**SUPERVISOR:** Board of Directors

**JOB TITLE:** OMS Board Secretary

**TERM:** One Year

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

Organizations are required by law and by custom to maintain certain records for several purposes, including:

- accurate recollection of decisions;
- determination of eligibility to vote;
- continuity of policies and practices; and
- accountability of directors and officers.

The Secretary is responsible for ensuring that accurate and sufficient documentation exists to meet legal requirements, and to enable authorized persons to determine when, how, and by whom the board's business was conducted. In order to fulfill these responsibilities, and subject to the organization's bylaws, the Secretary records minutes of meetings, ensures their accuracy, and availability, proposes policies and practices, submits various reports to the board, maintains membership records, fulfills any other requirements of a Director and Officer, and performs other duties as the need arises and/or as defined in the bylaws.

#### **DUTIES:**

In addition to the duties of an Authority Member, the OMS Board Secretary is responsible for:

**1.) MINUTES:** The secretary is responsible for ensuring that accurate minutes of meetings are taken and approved.. Requirements of minutes may vary with the jurisdiction but should include at a minimum: date, time, location of meeting; list of those present and absent; list of items discussed; list of reports presented; text of motions presented and description of their disposition. The Secretary signs a copy of the final, approved minutes and ensures that this copy is maintained in the corporate records.

**2.) CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS:** The secretary ensures that the records of the organization are maintained as required by law and made available when required by authorized persons. These records may include founding documents, (eg. letters patent, articles of incorporation), lists of directors, board and committee meeting minutes, financial reports, and other official records.

**3.) MEMBERSHIP RECORDS:** The Secretary ensures that official records are maintained of members of the organization and Board. He/She ensures that these records are available when required for reports, elections,

referenda, other votes, etc.

**4.) BYLAWS:** The Secretary ensures that an up-to-date copy of the bylaws is available at all meetings.

**5.) COMMUNICATION:** The Secretary ensures that proper notification is given of directors' and members' meetings as specified in the bylaws. The Secretary manages the general correspondence of the Board of Directors except for such correspondence assigned to others.

**6.) MEETINGS:** The Secretary participates in Board meetings as a voting member. The Secretary provides items for the agenda as appropriate. In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, the Secretary calls the meeting to order, presiding until a temporary chairperson is elected. The secretary records meeting minutes as described above Depending upon the bylaws and practices of the organization, the Secretary may perform these duties for Member meetings (eg. Annual General Meeting) and/or for an executive committee.

**7.) SIGNING OFFICER:** The Secretary may be designated by the Board of Directors and/or by-laws as one of the signing officers for certain documents. In this capacity, the Secretary may be authorized or required to sign or countersign checks, correspondence, applications, re-ports, contracts or other documents on behalf of organization.

**8.) FILING OF DOCUMENTS:** The Secretary may be the registered agent with respect to the laws of the jurisdiction.; the person upon whom legal notice to the corporation is served, and responsible for ensuring that documents necessary to maintain the corporation are filed.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

Completed one year of Board membership term, Commitment to the Owosso Main Street Program and the National Main Street Program, effective leadership and management skills, ability to work with a wide variety of people, a basic understanding of volunteer recruitment and management, team building, and meeting management skills.

**TIME COMMITMENT:**

The Board Secretary should be willing to commit 6 - 12 hours per month, excluding meetings.