

DIRECTOR EDUCATION POLICY

PURPOSE

The Board is responsible for the quality of its own governance therefore it will

1. ensure that directors are provided with the knowledge to make informed decisions on behalf of PWRDF
2. provide directors with the tools necessary to contribute fully at all Board Meetings

APPLICATION

This policy applies to all directors of PWRDF.

POLICY

1. Comprehensive mandatory orientation will be provided to all new directors, including but not limited to information about:
 - board governance
 - organizational operations
 - staff/volunteer key relationships
 - key stakeholders and external relations
 - current organizational context
 - applicable CRA regulations
2. Education sessions on both governance and implementation will regularly be part of Board meetings.
3. Through regular meeting evaluation, areas of needed education will be identified and provided at succeeding meetings.
4. Experienced directors will provide a mentoring role to new directors.
5. Directors will be made aware of relevant, external learning opportunities.
6. Finances will be budgeted to allow directors to participate in external learning opportunities, including but not limited to partner visits when available.

AMENDMENT

This policy may be amended by the PWRDF Board.

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