

**Friends of Cherokee Marsh**  
**Policy Statement**

Board of Director's Code of Conduct

As members of the Board of Directors of the Friends of Cherokee Marsh (FOCM), organized as a nonprofit corporation exclusively for charitable, educational or scientific purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, we recognize our responsibility to serve the public interest. We will conduct ourselves with integrity and uphold the good reputation of our organization as we pursue FOCM 's mission.

**As a member of the Board of Director, I will:**

- Recognize the authority vested in legal meetings of the board and the majority decisions of the board;
- As possible, stay informed about issues before the board;
- Behave in good faith and with the diligence of a prudent person in this position;
- Attend a majority of meetings and participate in discussions and actions of the board;
- Work to ensure that the organization is financially secure and that the funds of the organization are used appropriately to achieve the goals of FOCM and in keeping with the wishes of FOCM's donors;
- Never use FOCM 's resources for personal purposes;
- Declare any real or apparent conflicts of interest between my personal/professional life and my position on the board, and abstain from voting or participating in decisions when required by the FOCM's Conflict of Interest Policy;
- Honor the confidentiality of board proceedings and financial reports;
- Take seriously my responsibility to make sure that the organization is well managed, and to treat staff and volunteers with respect at all times.

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Board Member

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Date

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