



COOLIDGE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

INFORMATION GUIDELINES FOR DIRECTORS

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors is the elected policy body of the Coolidge Chamber of Commerce. Its members represent the business and professional leadership of the community. Every Board member represents the entire membership, the entire business community and not merely one section of the community.

First and foremost a Board member must have a genuine unselfish interest in the Chamber. In addition a Director must:

- Make every effort to be fully informed on the objectives and policies of the Chamber
- Recognize that his/her authority is limited to one vote and that he/she must abide by the decisions of the Board
- Have the ability to work constructively with the staff; with committees and with other Board members
- Be willing to spend the time and effort necessary to give the Chamber proper attention
- Support and adhere to the Bylaws of the Coolidge Chamber of Commerce

WHO ARE THE DIRECTORS

Directors are people who believe business has a responsibility to the community as a whole and individuals, who through membership in the Chamber can make a difference. Directors are people who want to be part of a team that actively works for their membership.

WHAT IS REQUIRED TO BE A DIRECTOR?

A COMMITMENT OF TIME

A Chamber Director can anticipate devoting 3 – 4 hours per month of their time to meetings, programs, events and Chamber duties. Members of the Executive Committee can expect to dedicate more time. Our business community requires a strong and active Chamber of Commerce. The term of office is three years.

ATTENDANCE AT BOARD MEETINGS

A primary responsibility as a Director is regular attendance at Board meetings. Board meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month at 12:00 noon at the Chamber of Commerce office and run approximately 1 – 1.5 hours.

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ATTENDANCE AT CHAMBER FUNCTIONS

Attendance by Board members at Chamber functions shows support for the Chamber and gives the membership an opportunity to state views and network. Some of these functions include; Chamber Luncheons, Business after Hours, and Ribbon cuttings. Board members actively participate.

AMBASSADORS OF GOODWILL

Chamber board members are regularly asked to participate in community events and spread goodwill in the name of the Chamber.

BECOMING A DIRECTOR

If you have the time, energy, ideas; if you care about supporting local businesses and the community; if you want to work to getting things done and providing a positive leadership role then consider becoming a Chamber Director.

NOMINATION FORM

**To: Director
Coolidge Chamber of Commerce
320 W. Central Ave., Coolidge AZ 85128 Phone 520-723-3009, Fax 520-723-9410
Email: info@coolidgechamber.org**

I, _____ am a member in good standing of the Coolidge Chamber of Commerce. I wish to nominate the below named person as a candidate for the Coolidge Chamber of Commerce.

Name of Candidate: _____

Business Title or Occupation of Candidate: _____

Company: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Business Ph: _____ **Fax:** _____

Email: _____

Please provide a brief summary of the candidates Chamber experience, community involvement and the reason he or she wishes to become a board member.

I hereby consent to let my name stand as a candidate for election to the Board of Directors of the Coolidge Chamber of Commerce. I am a member in good standing, have read and fully understand the Bylaws and the Responsibilities & Obligations of becoming a Director of the Coolidge Chamber of Commerce.

Signature of Candidate: _____ Date: _____

Please return this form to the Director at the above address no later than August 1, 2010