Board Roles and Responsibilities - 2024

Loaded Ladle is a collective that takes direct action to tackle issues of food security, sovereignty, and justice. As a board member, you will help shape what a collective kitchen looks like. Board positions are open to all, and no previous experience is necessary to join the board! All we ask is that you have a passion for fostering food security, collective work, and a desire to work within an anti-oppressive framework.

All board members will oversee the following roles and responsibilities:

- 1. Maintain the Loaded Ladle's objectives and core purposes.
 - 1.1. Nonhierarchical governance
 - 1.2. Consensus based decision making
 - 1.3. Uphold Loaded Ladle's practices on anti-oppression and food equity
- 2. Work on visioning and strategic planning.
 - 2.1. Board members will participate in the visioning and strategic planning of the loaded ladle.
- 3. Oversee budget
 - 3.1. Board will Approve the annual budget, vote on non-budgeted purchases, and oversee society funds/expenses.
- 4. Board Training
 - 4.1. Board members will attend board training, anti-oppression training, and support the onboarding of new members.
- 5. Documentation and institutional memory
 - 5.1. Attend and rotate facilitation of board meetings, upkeep meeting minutes, and send regrets if unable to attend
 - 5.2. Maintain institutional memory and transparency of information
 - 5.3. Upkeep Loaded Ladle Central Drive
- 6. Oversee staff, contract, voting, committees
 - 6.1. Each board member shall sit on one (1) committee during their board term.
 - 6.2. Board members are responsible for staff contracts and maintaining livable wages.
 - 6.3. Board members are required to vote or abstain from all proposals in a timely manner.
 - 6.4. Board members are responsible for ensuring the participation of board on hiring committees and to vote on hiring decisions.

Loaded Ladle Board Members may participate in all or some of these roles and responsibilities, including board committees:

Anti-Oppression & Solidarity

- Complete Anti-Oppression training
- Promote LL presence in the community and all Dalhousie campuses
- Support community rallies, research, and anti-O projects
- Create and update anti-oppressive & solidarity policies
- Collaborative with board and staff to ensure anti-oppressive practices
- Support with solidarity servings and workshops

Finance Advising

- Advise budget development
- Grants & levy management
- Oversee collective funds (donation, honorariums, and specially funded projects)
- Support in bank communications

Community Kitchen Support

- Board member roles to support Kitchen Committee
- Support kitchen operations (servings, meal planning, deep cleans, etc.)
- Design procurement and ethical sourcing practices
- Provide in-person kitchen support when needed (once-monthly volunteering commitment?)
- Steer the kitchen's vision and direction
- Create kitchen policies & practices (ie, meat policy, resourcing policies, etc.)
- Sourcing: keep in line with priority sourcing scorecard as developed by scorecard committee

Human Interactions

- Board member roles to support Human Interactions Committee
- Develop conflict resolution practices
- Maintain and oversee organizational policies and nonhierarchical, consensus-based practices
- Oversee and sign staff contracts
- Support Collective morale (check-ins, events, etc.)
- Organize visioning and strategic planning events

Community Outreach

- Coordinate social media campaigns and content
- Maintain branding and aesthetic
- Support with media interviews and public events
- Support with graphics, videos, website, and written content

Campus Food System Support

- Campus fridge implementation and maintenance
- Student-run Market planning and implementation
- Advocate for and support development of anti-oppressive and equitable campus food programs, strategies and policies
- Develop partnerships that support campus food system transformation
- Center student voice in campus food system advocacy
- Support campus food mobilization and social justice initiatives

Membership Type

Sexton Campus Member Kings Campus Member Studley Member General Member (non-student Dalhousie or Kings Student)