Burnett Foundation Aotearoa

Trustee Position Description

Primary Responsibilities of Trustees	Key Tasks of Trustees
To uphold and promote Burnett Foundation Aotearoa's mission, purpose, values and goals	 Be familiar with the Burnett Foundation Aotearoa Trust Deed and Strategic Plan.
	 Ensure that governance policies and plans are developed to achieve Burnett Foundation Aotearoa's stated purpose and objectives
	 Ensure that governance policies and activities adopted are consistent with Burnett Foundation Aotearoa's purpose, values and objectives
	 Ensure that the operational programme management of Burnett Foundation Aotearoa is consistent with its purpose, values and objectives
	Undertake strategic planning
To uphold the public confidence in Burnett Foundation Aotearoa	Actively promote the work and reputation of Burnett Foundation Aotearoa
	 Defend from public or private criticism the work and reputation of Burnett Foundation Aotearoa and its individual members in carrying out the Foundation's legitimate activities
	 Maintain the integrity of the Board and accept the responsibilities of leadership
	Represent Burnett Foundation Aotearoa on appropriate occasions
	Ensure the timely production of all statutory documents
To ensure the prudent management of Burnett Foundation Aotearoa finances	Authorise expenditure
	 Ensure that the financial resources of Burnett Foundation Aotearoa are used to fulfil its objectives
	 Ensure an equitable and effective distribution of funds to implement Burnett Foundation Aotearoa's primary purpose and programme objectives
	 Ensure that funds are prudently managed and accounted for, including through the annual setting and monitoring of the budget and financial delegations
	 Appoint Burnett Foundation Aotearoa's auditors and ensure that a proper audit of the Foundation's finances is carried out each year
To ensure that sufficient funds are raised to finance Burnett Foundation Aotearoa's plans	 Ensure that the Board has a strategy to meet Burnett Foundation Aotearoa's financial objectives
	Actively participate in fundraising activities

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To ensure that Burnett Foundation Aotearoa is a good employer	 Appoint a Chief Executive and delegate to them clear responsibilities and functions Adopt honest and fair human resources management policies applicable to both employees and volunteers Ensure that mediation and grievance procedures are implemented when the need arises
To maintain the charitable character of Burnett Foundation Aotearoa as a charitable trust	 Be familiar with the Burnett Foundation Aotearoa Trust Deed and with the powers and responsibilities of the Trustees Act with prudent judgment in the exercise of those powers Accept responsibility for the Trusteeship
To maintain the culture of the Burnett Foundation Aotearoa Trust Board	 Accept that Trustees are on the Board to support the overall mission and strategy of Burnett Foundation Aotearoa and not to pursue a single issue Ensure that everyone on the Board is heard on issues Ensure acceptance of majority decisions and that those with a minority opinion do not 're-litigate' or undermine Board decisions Ensure confidentiality of Board discussions is assiduously maintained Maintain the high degree of trust between Board members
To represent Burnett Foundation Aotearoa in stakeholder relationship and fundraising events	 To attend meetings and events that raise the Burnett Foundation Aotearoa's profile, recruit new members and raise funds, e.g. Burnett Foundation Aotearoa Community Forums – Staff and Board members meeting local communities Relationships with Mana Whenua and Māori providers Shared events/meetings with our community partners, such as Body Positive/Positive Women Inc. Meetings with Ministers/politicians Big Gay Out in Auckland and other gay community events around the country Candlelight Memorial ceremonies (in each region annually in May) Member-focused events, such as Life Membership awards Sponsor relationship-building events – annually as arranged Burnett Foundation Aotearoa fundraisers

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