



Expectations of a Member of the Board of Trustees

Leadership

- Act in the best interests of the DRI Foundation, and excuse yourself from discussions and votes where a conflict of interest exists.
- Assume leadership positions on the Board as requested and as possible.
- Stay informed about what's going on at DRI and the DRI Foundation:
 - Read information provided, think strategically, request additional information, come prepared, and ask questions.
 - Participate in and take responsibility for making decisions on goals, issues, policies and other board matters.

Ambassadorship

- Be informed about the Foundation's mission, goals, policies, programs, and services.
- Gain sufficient knowledge of the work of DRI to be an effective ambassador of DRI to your friends, colleagues and business associates: know at least three stories about DRI – the people, their equipment, or their space (laboratory / field work).
- Whenever possible, attend and represent the views and interests of the DRI and the DRI Foundation at events hosted by other community and business organizations.
- Cultivate relationships with DRI leaders and partners.

Participation

- Attend all three board meetings and any committee meetings for which you are a member.
- Pay your own expenses incurred in attending board and committee meetings.
- Actively support and participate in DRI Foundation events (Annual Medal Dinners and Golf Extravaganza) and DRI programs (lectures, events, meetings).
- Serve as hosts for DRI Foundation events.
- Collaborate in good faith with other board members and staff as partners towards the achievement of the DRI's and DRI Foundation's goals.
- Serve on DRI and DRI Foundation committees and task forces.
- Providing a timely response to DRI Foundation requests and notices.

Development

- Cultivate and inspire financial generosity among your friends, colleagues and business associates towards DRI through your personal demonstration of philanthropy.
- Support the DRI Foundation with a minimum annual unrestricted gift of \$5,000.
- Encourage your friends, colleagues and business associates to become financial supporters of DRI; identify those prospective donors to the appropriate staff.
- Introduce potential corporate sponsors or other specific resource opportunities to the staff.
- Assist in the DRI Foundation's fundraising efforts as appropriate.