

Oklahoma Hospital Association  
Board of Trustees

**BOARD MEMBER & REGIONAL CHAIR**  
**ROLE AND EXPECTATIONS**

The Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma Hospital Association is committed to excellence in governance in order to best lead and serve the OHA's members in successfully addressing the Association's goals and priorities. To do so, it believes each board member must have a clear understanding of their duties and expectations while serving as an elected representative of the membership on the board, and a council or committee.

Each board member should make a concerted effort to:

1. Attend all board, council and/or committee meetings, prepared to participate after reading the agenda and supporting material.
2. Participate in regionally sponsored activities while lending support to the regional chairman.
3. Attend special OHA education and leadership functions.
4. Provide leadership in support of the OHA's advocacy efforts:
  - a. Communicate with and inform state legislators and congressional representatives of local health care issues and the impact of pending legislation.
  - b. Participate in OHA's annual "Advocacy Day at the Capitol" activities.
  - c. At least once during board term, attend congressional delegation meetings in Washington, D.C. as part of OHA's annual advocacy meeting.
  - d. Contribute annually to OHA's PAC and encourage participation from other hospital staff.

Additionally, each Regional Chairman will:

1. Serve as an active liaison between his/her regional members and the OHA Board, communicating issues of interest and concern to the OHA staff as needed.
2. Assist the OHA staff in planning and chairing regional membership meetings
3. Communicate regularly with the region's CEOs to maintain a current understanding of issues important to their organizations (suggest quarterly, prior to board meetings).
4. Work with OHA staff to welcome and orient new CEOs to the region and help identify and nurture leaders for OHA and OHA governance positions.

Approved by the OHA Board of Trustees January 20, 2005

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E. Michael Nunamaker, Chairman