



## **Board Member Agreement 2023 Board of Directors**

As an officer or director of the Association for the Study of Higher Education (ASHE), I am fully committed and dedicated to embodying and promoting the values, mission, and vision of the Association.

This agreement will guide the board's understanding and its action by aligning with our group norms, mutual expectations, individual expectations, and the responsibilities of the Association that support our work. We are each responsible for holding ourselves and others accountable to this agreement.

### **I understand that the role of the Board of Directors is to:**

1. Act as the fiduciary and guardian of ASHE's assets.
2. Understand and monitor ASHE's budget.
3. Engage in strategic planning to establish short and long-term goals and to support and assess progress toward goals.
4. Develop policies for the overall management and operation of the Association.
5. Retain, support, and evaluate the performance of the Executive Director.

### **I understand that ASHE will provide each member of the Board of Directors with the following:**

1. Ample notice of all Board meetings.
2. Minutes of all Board meetings.
3. Relevant information to conduct your job as a Board member.
4. To the extent allowed by law, indemnification from liability for a Board member's reasonable and necessary actions including, but not limited to Director's and Officers' insurance liability coverage.

### **As a member of the ASHE Board of Directors, I agree to do the following:**

1. Maintain active membership during my board service.
2. Support the vision, mission, and values of ASHE.
3. Read, understand, and adhere to the ASHE Bylaws and Policies including the Governance Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy.
4. Read and understand financial statements.
5. Attend and actively participate in Board meetings.
6. Participate in committee work as assigned.
7. Be informed about and advocate for the programs of ASHE.



8. Donate annually to the Graduate Student Travel Fund, at any amount, during your term.
9. Participate in fundraising, membership activities, and special events sponsored by ASHE.
10. Act as an informed steward of the ASHE Board's decisions.
11. Maintain the confidential nature of Board deliberations.
12. Make judgments always on the basis of what is best for the organization as a whole.