



Board of Directors Leadership Pledge

Thank you for giving your time and talents to serve on the Chamber Board of Directors. Our Board is exemplary in the fact that it is very diverse and comprised of business leaders from many sectors including healthcare, financial institutions, higher education, small business, lodging/tourism, legal, insurance, and manufacturing.

Although your termed position is essentially advisory, expectations and guidelines have been set to ensure Board accountability. As a member of the Board of Directors, you in good faith are asked to commit to a minimum level of participation which includes:

- Attend Board meetings on the **third Friday of the month* at 8:00 am** (*no meetings in February, May, or September) at the Chamber office located at the Ohio University Innovation Center unless otherwise communicated. Board members are expected to be timely and have no more than three absences during the year. More than three will result in a letter from the current Board Chair asking about your intentions and possibly asking you to step down because you cannot fulfill the meeting attendance requirements.
- As your schedule permits, Board members are welcome and encouraged to attend the Athens Uptown Business Association (AUBA) Committee held on the second Wednesday of every month at 9:30 am in the mayor's conference room on the first floor of City Hall on West Washington Street.
- Attend the Chamber **Annual Awards Dinner & Meeting** held in January.
- Attend the **Celebrate Athens Auction and Dinner** held in September.
- Sponsor a Hole or commit to a Team at the **Golf Outing** held in May, and/or sponsor or donate to the **Celebrate Athens Auction and Dinner**, held in September, as your business promotion and marketing budget permits.
- Advocate for the Chamber whenever possible by conducting business with other Chamber members making certain to share that you personally and/or professionally have chosen to "Keep It Local" and to support fellow Chamber businesses.
- Familiarize yourself with Chamber saving benefits to share as added benefits of joining the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce in hopes of procuring new members. Cost savings benefits include the Bureau of Workers Compensation program, Chamber Energy program, and Anthem Health Insurance discount program. Referrals may be sent to the President for personal follow-up.
- Support and advise the Chamber staff to best serve the mission and membership.

Your signature below signifies that you have read the Pledge and understand your commitment.

Signature

Date