

Serving on the River Valley Market Board: The Give and the Get

Here's what we give...

Attendance at board meetings
Prep time for board meetings
Presence at outreach events
Linkage with members in a leadership role
Being face of co-op in community
Loyalty toward the board and co-op
Adherence to code of ethical conduct
Commitment to upholding board policies
Agreeing to govern by policy governance
Availability for continuous communication
Support to general manager and each other
Commitment to consensus decision-making
Moral courage
Articulating disagreement when it emerges
Service as officers
Attend annual meetings, retreats, trainings
Represent members, reflect their values
Commitment to committee work
Commitment to fundraising
Commit to financial health of the cooperative
Commitment to FUNraising
Commitment to our mission
Commitment to seven cooperative principles
Empowerment to manager
Active listening

And here's what we get...

Materials we need to make good decisions
Respect for diverse participation styles
Pride in a valuable community resource
Training and education
Participation in a national movement
A great community grocery store
Participation in co-op's progress
To help create positive social change
An alternative economic and social model
To be the face of the co-op in the community
Wonderful friends and colleagues
Chocolate
To help build and strengthen our community
Positive, visible leadership role in community
Being part of board that works well together
Personal support
To envision the changes we want to create
Opportunity to use our gifts and talents
Empowerment by members