



**Title: Board Member Expectations Relative to Fundraising/Development**

**Whereas,** The Arc of Pennsylvania is an independent 501c3 charitable non-profit organization with its own bylaws, mission, and purpose and, while it is affiliated with local chapters of The Arc in Pennsylvania and The Arc of the United States, it has its own unique role and mission as the state chapter of the Arc in Pennsylvania, and

**Whereas,** 501c3 charitable non-profit organizations must have resources to be effective and pursue their missions, and

**Whereas,** individual Board members are entrusted with individual responsibilities as part of Board membership, beyond a basic expectation of attending meetings.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the following shall be the policy of The Arc of Pennsylvania pertaining to expectations of individual Board members relative to development:

Providing adequate resources for The Arc of Pennsylvania is a Board responsibility. Fundraising is a Board function. The Board shall guard against any tendency to have the development committee bear sole responsibility for it.

The performance of The Arc of Pennsylvania is intimately linked to the Board's membership and its ability to influence potentially large donors and other wise monitor and guide fundraising initiatives

The Board shall cultivate sources of revenue that are sustainable for the long term.

Board members are expected to make an annual gift to The Arc of Pennsylvania in line with their means. The ability to report 100 percent participation by Board members to potential and past supporters will contribute to the success of efforts to solicit donors outside the organization.

The development committee should develop, or provide input to any future Board Development Committee for its development of, guidelines for Board member giving. These guidelines should be reviewed and/or revised from time to time.

The Arc of Pennsylvania Board President shall be responsible for ensuring that new or prospective Board members are informed about Board members expectations relative to development.

**AND FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of The Arc of Pennsylvania may take appropriate action towards a Board member who willfully disregards the spirit of this resolution.

Duly enacted this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, two thousand and five, by The Arc of Pennsylvania Board of Directors.

ATTESTED: EVELYN WERMUTH  
Secretary

SIGNED: JOSEPH KOHLER  
President