

SoRo South Robertson Neighborhoods Council

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council deals with the interests and concerns of local stakeholders—people who live, or work, own property, go to school, or belong to a congregation within the boundaries of SoRo. The Board's job is to help improve our local area by working with neighborhood groups, City departments, and elected officials.

WHAT WILL A MEMBER OF THE BOARD BE EXPECTED TO DO? Board members are volunteers who serve without compensation on behalf of the entire SoRo community. They need to be active and involved, and make sure that SoRo is a positive force for the betterment of the greatest possible number of stakeholders. This includes—

- 1) Listen to community concerns, learn about alternatives, weigh the pros and cons, and make decision on issues with the entire community in mind. Foster communication and understanding between stakeholders to solve local problems, and work together to use the combined influence of the Board for changes that can improve our community.
- 2) Deal seriously with the concerns of others. Practice common courtesy, and avoid promoting a single issue of personal interest only.
- 3) Make a commitment to attend Board meetings regularly.
- 4) Know what's going on in SoRo's Action Committees, which do much of the work for SoRo.
- 5) Attend Action Committee meetings when they deal with an issue of concern to you.

HOW MUCH TIME WILL IT TAKE? A year looks something like this for a Board member:

- 1) 11-12 monthly Board meetings.
- 2) 4 community meetings.
- 3) Serve on one or more Action Committees(optional but encouraged.)

These times are estimates. Meetings are usually held in the late afternoon or evening for about 2 hours. The number of meetings can be changed by the Board, and actual meeting durations can be shorter or longer, depending on the agenda and members' interests.