

PURPOSE OF THE AIHS BOARD

The Board of Directors of the Anderson Island Historical Society is responsible for preserving, protecting, and presenting the history of Anderson Island. The board provides strategic leadership, ensures financial and organizational stability, oversees the stewardship of historical assets, and supports the programs, events, and partnerships that connect the community with its heritage.

Every board member shares core fiduciary duties, governance responsibilities, and mission stewardship.

Core Responsibilities of Every Board Member

These apply to all 10 directors:

- **Mission stewardship** — ensure all actions support the preservation and presentation of island history.
- **Fiduciary duty** — act in the best interest of the organization; protect assets; ensure financial integrity.
- **Duty of care** — prepare for meetings, participate actively, make informed decisions.
- **Duty of loyalty** — avoid conflicts of interest; put the organization's needs first.
- **Duty of obedience** — follow bylaws, policies, and legal requirements.
- **Strategic planning** — help set long-term goals and priorities.
- **Oversight** — monitor programs, finances, collections, and facilities.
- **Advocacy** — represent the organization positively in the community.
- **Fundraising support** — participate in donor relations, events, and membership growth.
- **Volunteer engagement** — support and encourage volunteers, who are the backbone of AIHS.
- **Event participation** — attend and assist with major events (concerts, art shows, Salmon Bake, classes).

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