



BYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BYS Mission: The mission of Bainbridge Youth Services (BYS) is to promote the mental health and wellness of local youth and their families.

BYS Board Role: The BYS Board of Directors (“the Board”) is the all-volunteer governing body of BYS. Members of the Board focus on the high-level strategy, oversight, and accountability of the organization. This contrasts with employees or managers who oversee the day-to-day operations of BYS.

BYS Board Mission: The Board’s mission is to ensure that BYS operations maintain and promote BYS’ mission, which is to promote youth mental health and wellness in our community.

Purpose: The Board, in partnership with the Executive Director (ED), considers operational policy and develops high-level strategic thinking to further BYS’ mission. The Board both supports and oversees the ED to ensure BYS’ management remains in alignment with its mission. The Board must always factor in the following three attributes:

- **Liability exposure** - activities, actions, and strategic initiatives should be vetted to understand potential legal, organizational, or personal liability;
- **Financial effect** - the Board’s oversight of BYS should always prioritize its financial stability towards perpetuating its mission;
- **Reputational effect** - the Board must always gauge any consideration’s impact on BYS’ reputation in the community with the understanding that to achieve the mission, BYS must have a clear reputation of trust and trustworthiness.

Expectations:

- Commit to an initial term of three years
- Regularly attend Board meetings, missing no more than two board meetings yearly
- Serve on at least one standing committee or task force each year
- Attend at least one fundraising event and one open house annually (there are several annual fundraising events, such as the BYS Fun Run and BYS Open Houses)
- Financially support the organization according to individual ability

Please direct your inquiries and interest in serving to the BYS board president at bodpresident@askbys.org.

