



## **Board Recruitment Information Sheet**

### **About LOVEboldly**

Founded in 2011, LOVEboldly exists to create and develop spaces where LGBTQIA+ people can flourish in Christianity. While the organization is deeply committed to working with anyone committed to making the church a more inclusive place, we are an affirming, interdenominational organization which is working for a world where all congregations and churches are fully affirming to the LGBTQIA+ community.

### **Current Board Members and Staff**

- Siobhan Boyd-Nelson - *Interim Board Chair*
- Heidi Weaver-Smith - *Founder and Secretary*
- NV Gay - *Board Member*
- Mark Wesley - *Board Member*
- Rev. Dr. Ben Huelskamp - *Executive Director*

### **Board Member Expectations**

1. Attend at least five board meetings per year (typically meetings in January, March, May, July, September, and November via Zoom)
2. Make a recurring monthly gift or annual gift at a level which is meaningful to you.
3. Sponsor and coordinate at least one fundraiser per year either individually or with other board members.
4. Leverage connections, networks, and resources to benefit the organization.
5. Maintain confidentiality on all internal affairs.
6. Disclose any actual or perceived conflicts of interest.
7. Ensure the Board and organization complies with all federal, state, and local legal requirements.
8. Review and approve annual budgets, financial statements, and business decisions.
9. Contribute to the development of policies and strategic plans.
10. Assist the Executive Director and Board Chair in identifying and recruiting new Board members.
11. Participate in the appointment, support, and evaluation of the Executive Director.

LOVEboldly board members serve two-year terms with no term limits.

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## Essential Qualifications

- A deep commitment to LOVEboldly's mission and ministry.
- Lived experience as a member of the LGBTQIA+ community.
- Lived experience as a Christian, Christ follower, or similar identity.
  - LOVEboldly does not require church membership or attendance for board service.
  - As an organization oriented towards Christianity and working in Christian spaces, we ask that board members identify as Christians, Christ followers, or similar identities.

**Preferred Qualifications** - *While these qualifications are not required they represent identities, experiences, and knowledge not represented or underrepresented among our current board members.*

- Lived experience as Black, Indigenous, or Person of Color (BIPOC).
- Residence outside of Central Ohio with a particular focus on Cincinnati, Cleveland, Akron, Canton, Toledo, and the Appalachian region of Southeastern Ohio.
- Experience in fundraising, grant research and writing, board governance, fiscal oversight, and congregational ministry.
- Previous board experience particularly in a small 501(c)(3) nonprofit.
- Ability and capacity to be involved in fundraising, advocacy, and programming.

## How to Apply

LOVEboldly is currently accepting applications for our Board on a rolling basis. Please complete [this brief application \(click here\)](#) which includes a place to upload a copy of your resume/CV.

After completing the application, an interview will be scheduled between you and the current Board. At the next board meeting, the Board will vote on accepting you as a board member.

If you are accepted and you agree to serve, our Executive Director will set-up time with you for informal board onboarding including information about LOVEboldly's history, operations, programming, fundraising, board governance, and finances so that you are ready for your first board meeting.

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## More Information

For more information please contact either Interim Board Chair, Siobhan Boyd-Nelson, or Executive Director, Rev. Dr. Ben Huelskamp.

- Siobhan - [siobhanrenee@gmail.com](mailto:siobhanrenee@gmail.com)
- Ben - [bhuelskamp@loveboldly.net](mailto:bhuelskamp@loveboldly.net)
  - You can also schedule a Zoom/phone call or in-person meeting with Ben at <https://calendly.com/benhuelskamp>.

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