

## 15 Questions To Ask Before Joining a Board

**1. *Mission and Vision? Are you passionate about it?***

**VISION:** The New Mexico Alliance for School-Based Health Care (NMASBHC) envisions healthy students who are ready to learn.

**MISSION:** The New Mexico Alliance for School-Based Health Care represents school-based health centers (SBHCs) in New Mexico and collaborates with other partners to promote, facilitate and advocate for comprehensive, integrated, and culturally competent health care, including health education, in schools.

**2. *History and Major Accomplishments?***

- See [www.nmasbhc.org](http://www.nmasbhc.org)

**3. *Board Job Description?***

- See Board Member Commitment and By-Laws

**4. *When does the Board meet and for how long?***

- Board meets 4 – 6 times per year. Regular meetings are 1.5 – 2 hours long. Meeting dates and times determined by each current Board.

**5. *Is there usually a quorum?***

- Yes, 40% is the requirement in the By-Laws

**6. *Financial expectation for Board members?***

- Yes, see Board Member Commitment.

**7. *Director and Officer Liability Insurance?***

- Provided.

**8. *Strategic plan? Updated regularly?***

- Available and updated annually.

**9. *New Board Orientation?***

- Yes, after new Board assumes office July 1 of each year.

**10. *How is the Board organized?***

- Officers include President, President-Elect, Past-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Officers comprise the Executive Committee that has responsibility for affairs of NMASBHC in between Board meetings.
- Up to 15 At-Large members with three under 35 years of age.

**11. *IRS Form 990 current?***

- Yes and available.

**12. *Monthly/regular financial statements?***

- Yes. Finance Committee and Executive Committee meet monthly to review.

**13. *Terms for Board members and elected officers?***

- Board member terms are for two years; Officer term is for one year and is renewable.

**14. *Bylaws current?***

- Last revised in 2016-17 fiscal year.

**15. *Any pending legal issues facing the organization?***

- NONE.